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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 4, AMOY, British str., 814, C. Herrmann, Shanghai 1st April, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.
April 5, BRUTUS, German str., 460, Voge, Saigon 30th March, Paddy.—WIELER & Co.
April 5, EMUY, Spanish steamer, 222, A. Rementeria, Manila *viâ* Amoy 29th March, General.—REMEDIOS & Co.
April 5, THALES, British steamer, 820, T. G. Pocock, Swatow 4th April, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
April 5, LIDO, British str., 620, T. Lewis, Manila 2nd April, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
APRIL 5TH.

Lord of the Isles, British str., for Yokohama.
Chinkiang, British str., for Shanghai.
Francisco Reyes, Spanish str., for Manila.
Jeddah, British str., for Amoy.
Activ, Danish str., for Hoihow.
Menelaus, British str., for Shanghai.
Whampoa, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

April 5, PEMBROKESHIRE, British steamer, for Saigon.
April 5, KERSAINT, French g-bt., for Canton.
April 5, MONOCACY, Amr. g-bt., for Swatow.
April 5, LORD OF THE ISLES, British str., for Yokohama.
April 5, CHINKIANG, British steamer, for Shanghai.
April 5, FRANCISCO REYES, Spanish str., for Manila.
April 5, LORNE, British str., for Singapore.
April 5, AMOY, British str., for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Lido*, str., from Manila.—8 Chinese.
Per *Amoy*, str., from Shanghai.—30 Chinese.
Per *Emuy*, str., from Manila, &c.—168 Chinese.
Per *Thales*, str., from Swatow.—Capt. Dodd, and 215 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer *Emuy* reports from Manila to Amoy strong E.N.E. winds, from Amoy to port calm and fog.

The British steamer *Amoy* reports left Shanghai on the 1st instant, and had light Southerly winds and overcast sky with fog at intervals.

The British steamer *Thales* reports left Swatow on the 4th inst., and had light variable airs and overcast to Mendoza, and from thence to port foggy weather.—In Swatow str. *Seewo* and H.M.S. *Swift*.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
23, Hae-shin, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
25, Douglas, British str., from Hongkong.
28, Nanzing, British str., from Shanghai.
30, Namoa, British str., from Hongkong.
March— DEPARTURES.
23, Kvik, Norwegian bark, for Tientsin.
23, Kwangtung, British str., for Hongkong.
27, Hae-shin, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
28, Douglas, British str., for Hongkong.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
24, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
24, Wha-on, British str., from Hankow.
24, Hideyoshi Maru, Jap. str., from K'notzu.
24, Sual, British str., from Hankow.
24, Kiang-yung, Chinese str., from Hankow.
24, Hae-ting, Chinese str., from Tientsin.
24, Nanzing, British str., from Foochow.
24, M. Weakleman, Am. sch., from Pgt. Sound.
25, Tientsin, British str., from Swatow.
25, Hing-shing, Chinese str., from Tientsin.
25, Massalia, German str., from Hamburg.
25, Tyne, British str., from Nagasaki.
25, Tunsin, British str., from Ningpo.
25, Ichang, British str., from Hankow.
25, Sin Nanzing, British str., from Tientsin.
25, Posang, British str., from Hongkong.
25, Yoritomo Maru, Jap. str., from K'notzu.
26, Chinkiang, British str., from Hongkong.
26, Chefoo, British str., from Swatow.
26, Brenda, British brig, from Hakodate.
26, Stout, Nor. bark, from Nagasaki.
26, Kumasaka Maru, Jap. bark, from K'notzu.
March— DEPARTURES.
24, Tsurunoye Maru, Jap. bk., for Nagasaki.
24, Pekin, British str., for Hankow.
24, Kwa Hsing, Chinese str., for a cruise.
24, Chintung, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
24, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
26, Taiwo, British str., for Hankow.
26, Pechili, British str., for Chefoo.
26, Hae-an, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
26, Taku, British str., for Tientsin.
26, Hae-ting, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
26, Kamtchatka, Russian str., for Karatzu.
26, Chung King, British str., for Tientsin.
26, Fungshun, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
26, Strathleven, British str., for New York.
26, Tunsin, British str., for Ningpo.
26, Sherard Osborn, British str., for a cruise.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.
(Per last Mail's Advice).

Atalanta (s.)	Hongkong	Feb. 12
Marie Louise	Manila	Feb. 13
Glenavon (s.)	Shanghai	Feb. 17
Arches	Hongkong	Feb. 18
Lancashire	Manila	Feb. 18
Jupiter	Hongkong	Feb. 19
Isla de Luzon (s.)	Manila	Feb. 21

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.
(Corrected to Date).

Johanne	Cardiff	Oct. 2
Auguste	Newport	Oct. 25
Date	Liverpool	Nov. 30
Dartmouth	London	Dec. 13
A. & W. C.	Penarth	Dec. 15
Sacramento	New York	Dec. 18
Maria Magdalena	Hamburg	Dec. 19
Importer	Cardiff	Dec. 27
Elise	London	Jan. 8
Great Admiral	Penarth	Jan. 11
Adolph Obrig	Penarth	Jan. 14
Centennial	Liverpool	Jan. 15
Friedrich	Liverpool	Jan. 19
Hydra	Liverpool	Jan. 20
G. C. Trufant	Cardiff	Jan. 29
Patricio (s.)	Glasgow	Feb. 1
Friedlander	Cardiff	Feb. 2
Undine	Cardiff	Feb. 2
Mathilda	Cardiff	Feb. 6
Elise	Cardiff	Feb. 6
Mingkut	Glasgow	Feb. 9
Antenor (s.)	London	Feb. 10
LondonCastle (s.)	London	Feb. 11
Carl Ritter	Liverpool	Feb. 13
Frederick (s.)	Cardiff	Feb. 16
Elwell	Liverpool	Feb. 19
H.M.S. Espoir	Plymouth	Feb. 19
H.M.S. Cockchafer	Plymouth	Feb. 19
Patroclus (s.)	Liverpool	Feb. 21

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

HUGHES & LEGGE,
Australian and China Coals.
At Noon.

THE TOURIST'S GUIDE.
REDUCED PRICE, $1.
Containing the names of all the Articles of Trade, objects of Natural History, Furniture, &c., &c., with the Punti and Mandarin Pronunciation.
Also a few copies of the GRAMMAR OF THE CHINESE LANGUAGE, in two Parts.
The *Daily Press* Office.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL......5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.........2,500,000 of Dollars.

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MANAGER.
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON & COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [8

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER).

PAID-UP CAPITAL.............. £1,500,000.

LONDON BANKERS:
BANK OF ENGLAND.
UNION BANK OF LONDON, LIMITED.
BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.
RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED
ON DEPOSITS:
At 3 Months' Notice, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
At 6 Months' Notice, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
At 12 Months' Notice, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1882. [9

TO BE LET.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.
Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in First-class Godowns.
Also
Entire GODOWNS to be LET.
Apply to MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1881. [1047

TO LET.
A SMALL GODOWN, Water Frontage.
Apply to
MORE & SEIMUND,
Praya Central.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1883. [663

TO LET.
SPACIOUS GODOWN at BOWRINGTON, suitable for the Storage of Coal.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1883. [496

TO LET.
ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS.
Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [30

TO BE LET.
THE HOUSE No. 2, DUDDELL STREET, QUEEN'S ROAD, in rear of Oriental Bank.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [629

TO BE LET.
NO. 9, MOSQUE TERRACE.
No. 27, ELGIN STREET.
No. 18, ELGIN STREET, (BUNGALOW).
GODOWNS at Wanchai.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1883. [278

TO LET.
NO. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.
No. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, lately occupied by Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
No. 25A, PRAYA CENTRAL.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1883. [29

TO LET.
A SUITE OF OFFICES, with Compradore's Rooms, &c., on the Premises of the Undersigned. Separate Entrance in Ice House Street.
For Full Particulars, apply to
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1883. [112

TO BE LET.
LATE "NOVELTY STORE" in Bank Buildings.
ROSE VILLAS WEST, on Bonham and Robinson Roads, Furnished.
GODOWNS, East and West.
Small HOUSES, Praya West.
Apply to
SHARP & Co.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1883. [563

TO LET.
FROM 1st April, ROOMS at 55, Queen's Road East.
Apply to
MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883. [450

YOKOHAMA.

TO BE LET FURNISHED for the Summer months, A COMFORTABLE FAMILY RESIDENCE, well situated on the BLUFF.
Apply to
JOHN S. COX.
7th February, 1883. [286

SUN SHING, DEALER IN SILKS,
Canton and Shanghai Gauzes, Crape Shawls, Lacquered and Ivory Ware, Curiosities, Ornaments, Inlaid Chairs and Tables, &c., &c.,
GOLD AND SILVER JEWELLER,
ENGRAVER ON STAMPS, SEALS, &c., &c.,
No. 62, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.
NOTE.—This Firm is the oldest established of the kind in Hongkong, and has no connection with any other of similar hong name.
SUN SHING.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1881. [989

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & SONS, Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1867. [22

THE CHUNG NGOI SAN PO
(Chinese *Daily Press*),
PUBLISHED DAILY,
Is the best medium for Advertising among the Native Community.
It has been established upwards of TWENTY YEARS, and enjoys the largest *bonâ fide* circulation of any Chinese paper in the Southern China. It is carefully edited by an experienced Chinese Scholar, and contains FULL and RELIABLE COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.
Terms for Advertising can be obtained at the Office, Wyndham Street, Hongkong; or from the different Agents.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1877.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned having been Granted Letters of Administration of the ESTATE of the late JOHN NOBLE will sign all receipts in connection therewith.
JOHN S. COX.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1882. [45

NOTICE.

FROM and after the 1st May, 1883, Mr. THOMAS GITTINS, Junior, will be admitted a Partner in our Firm.
JOHN GITTINS & Co.
The Firm will consist of Mr. JOHN GITTINS, Mr. HESILRIGE JOHN JOHNSTONE CHAMBERS, and Mr. THOMAS GITTINS, Junior.
Foochow, 1st January, 1883. [109

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. BENDYSHE LAYTON to sign the name of our Firm in Hongkong from this date.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1883. [649

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, late Compradore of the Firm of N. D. OLLIA, of Amoy, resigned the service of the above Firm at the end of the last Chinese year, since which date all the accounts have been settled between his Security and the Manager, Mr. NUSSERWANJEE DADABHOY OLLIA. The Undersigned and his Security therefore will not be responsible for any debts contracted in future with the said Firm.
YIP YUNG HING,
Amoy.
Amoy, 31st March, 1883. [641

NOTICE.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

DURING my absence Mr. STEWART MUNN McLEISH will sign my name per procuration.
WM. CRUICKSHANK.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1883. [610

NOTICE.

IN Future all LETTERS in connection with the TAKU TUG AND LIGHTER COMPANY are requested to be addressed to the Undersigned.
JAMES WATTS,
Sec. T. T. and L. Co.
Taku, 1st January, 1883. [178

NOTICE.

WE have authorised Mr. FRIEDRICH HEINRICH HOHNKE to sign our Firm from this date.
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [516

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DIRECTORS are now prepared to receive Tenders from suitable persons for a term of FIVE YEARS, for the lease of the HONGKONG HOTEL, with FURNITURE complete.
The Building (together with a powerful passenger lift,) will comprise after the proposed alterations and additions have been completed, viz:—
THE BASEMENT.
Two Grand Entrances from Pedder's Street and Queen's Road. Bar, Billiard, Reading and Smoking Rooms with separate Entrance from Pedder's Street.
A handsomely fitted up Ladies Room, for the use of visitors and others.
Manager's and General Offices, Kitchens, Store Rooms, &c., &c., &c.
FIRST FLOOR.
A Public Dining Room capable of dining upwards of 170 persons at the same time.
ONE large Breakfast Room.
FIVE elegant and beautifully fitted up suite of Rooms, consisting of a Private Dining Room, Drawing Room, Card Room, Reading Room, and Billiard Room.
TEN Bed Rooms with a Bathroom to each.
SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS
Have each 26 lofty, well ventilated and lighted Bed Rooms, opening on to large Verandahs with a commodious Bath Room for each room.
All the Passages and Corridors throughout the premises are wide and well lighted, most of the furniture will be new and made expressly for the climate.
The special attention of Hotel Keepers and others is drawn to the unusual advantages offered.
Tenders to state sum per annum, and to include taxes. No Tender under $3,500 per mensem will be entertained by the Directors.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [650

NEWCHWANG OIL REFINERY.

ON SALE.

CASTOR OIL.—For Lubricating purposes at about 55 Cents per Gallon. We have since establishing our Oil Refinery in 1881 had an increasing sale of this Oil and can produce Certificates from nearly all the Chief Engineers of Steamers visiting this Port that our Oil superseded the Indian Oil in purity and body.
HEMP SEED OIL,—Raw and Boiled at respectively 45 and 50 Cents per Gallon. This Oil has for years been extensively used by Coasting Sailing Vessels and House Painters for Oiling Decks and Spars and Painting Vessels as well as outside House Work, etc., at a cost of about one third of English Paint Oil and serves equally as well.
BRIGHT VARNISH for Varnishing Spars and other bright work, 75 Cents per Gallon.
TALLOW, at lowest market price.
Quotations subject to fluctuations in market price of CRUDE OIL.
F. A. SCHULTZE & Co.
Newchwang, 1st March, 1883. [489

MUSIC.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, now a Resident in Hongkong, will give lessons in MUSIC, SINGING AND PIANOFORTE.
CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.
Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1883. [443

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has all kinds of HOUSE and SHIP COAL for sale in large and small quantities. Also several Strong and Commodious SMALL STEAMERS on hire for towing purposes, excursions, &c., &c., at extremely moderate rates. Apply to
HING LEE, 37, Tung Man Lane.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1883. [466

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A. MILLAR & CO., PLUMBERS, GASFITTERS, &c., &c., have REMOVED their Office and Ware-room to No. 6, "BEACONSFIELD ARCADE," where Orders for Fittings and Repairs will be punctually attended to. [25

ESTABLISHED IN 1852.
L. P. FISHER'S NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING AGENCY,
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The "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" is kept on file at the Office of L. P. FISHER, who is authorised to receive Advertisements.

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
THIS DAY,
the 6th April, 1883, at NOON, on Marine Lot 121, Praya East.
1,300 Tons AUSTRALIAN COALS,
(More or less damaged by Fire and Water),
In Lots to suit Purchasers.
AFTERWARDS,
At Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.'s Godowns, Wanchai.
93 Tons Inferior AUSTRALIAN COALS.
And
A Quantity of CHINA COALS.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.
HUGHES & LEGGE,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [675

IN THE VICE ADMIRALTY COURT OF HONGKONG.

THE MARSHAL will in virtue of a decree of the said Court Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 7th April Next, at NOON,
The Ship "CHANDERNAGOR," of 682 tons. This Vessel which has lately been thoroughly repaired, has excellent accommodation for First Class Passengers, and her between Deck is well fitted for Emigrants.
She will be sold with a full complement of Masts, Chains, Sails and Stores; and in a condition to put to sea at once.
The Auction will take place on board the said Ship.
For the Inventory or for further particulars, apply to the Undersigned at his Office.
J. DYER BALL,
Marshal
of the Vice Admiralty Court of Hongkong.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [638

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSES IN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, by Order of the MORTGAGEE, on
SATURDAY,
the 14th day of April, 1883, on the Premises at THREE P.M.,
1ST LOT.
The HOUSE No. 79, in Queen's Road Central, measuring North and South 15½ feet, on the East and West 27¼ feet. Yearly Crown Rent £1.10.8, for 999 years from the 4th December, 1857. Registered as INLAND LOT No. 531.
2ND LOT.
The HOUSE No. 81, in Queen's Road Central measuring North and South 14 feet, East and West 27½ feet. Yearly Crown Rent £1.7.7½ for 999 years from 9th December, 1857. Registered as INLAND LOT No. 530.
For Particulars and Conditions, apply to
J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [670

FOR SALE.

THE British Barque "ANGLO INDIAN," 414 Tons register, will be Sold by Auction, on account of the concerned, in Shanghai, (where she now lies) on or about the 24th April.
For Further Particulars, apply to the Captain on board, or to
DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co.,
Agents.
Shanghai, 23rd March, 1883. [608

KELLY AND WALSH'S SELECTED LIST OF WORKS OF REFERENCE.

Roget's Thesaurus of English Words.
Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable.
Edwards' Words, Facts and Phrases.—A Dictionary of Curious and Quaint Matters.
Wheeler's Familiar Allusions—A Handbook of Miscellaneous Information.
Wright's Dictionary of Obsolete and Provincial English.
Davenport Adams' Dictionary of English Literature.
Bartlett's The Shakspeare Phrase Book.
Spon's Workshop Receipts for Manufacturers, Mechanics and Scientific Amateurs.
Brewer's Reader's Handbook of Allusions, References, Plots and Stories.
Bohn's Handbook of Proverbs.
The American Hoyle—A Complete Handbook of Indoor Games.
Bartlett's Familiar Quotations.
Hoyt and Lloyd's Cyclopædia of Practical Quotations.
Hill's Manual of Social and Business Forms.
Chambers's Encyclopædia—New Edition in 10 Volumes.
Kwong Ki Chui's Dictionary of English Phrases with Illustrative Sentences.
Johnston's General Gazeteer of the World.
Bohn's Dictionary of Poetical Quotations.
Carleton's Condensed Encyclopædia and Handbook of Information.

JUST RECEIVED.
EASTER CARDS.
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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with Resolution No. 2, passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held at the City Hall on the 30th December, 1882, all Shares not taken up and the First Call paid, on or before the 30th June next, will be disposed of by the Directors in such manner as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [667

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.
1815.—The year of our Establishment in Europe.
1847.—The year of our Establishment in China.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s **** COGNAC, the very best and oldest shipped.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s ***, **, * COGNAC.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s INVALID'S PORT, old and thoroughly good.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s SHERRY W.S. the best wine of its kind in China.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Amoroso, Vino de Pasto, Vino Puro.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s CLARETS, Chateau Mouton, Larose, St. Estephe, &c.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Agents have for sale The "Royal Charter" Champagne—selected for the Queen.
The "Carlton" Whiskey—two qualities, 11 and 5 years old, guaranteed.
All these are kept in stock in Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama. Address for particulars: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., or Siemssen & Co., or Lane, Crawford & Co. at either place; and to Messrs. Bush Bros., Newchwang. [2061

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INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of April, 1883, at 12 o'CLOCK NOON, when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on FRIDAY, the 30th day of March, 1883, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.
RESOLUTION.
That Clause No. 30 be struck out and expunged from the Articles of Association of this Company and do cease to form portion of the Articles of this Company from the 14th day of April, 1883, and that the following Clause be substituted instead thereof and do form portion of the Articles of Association of the Company from the last mentioned day and be numbered 30.
30.—That the Company may with the Sanction of a Special Resolution previously given in Meeting sub-divide the existing Shares of the Company into Shares of such amount as the Meeting shall direct.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, dated the 30th day of March, 1883. [637

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Office, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of April, 1883, at 12.15 in the AFTERNOON, when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed.
RESOLUTION.
That each of the existing Shares of the Company be divided into four Shares of $150 upon each of which the sum of $50 shall be credited as paid up.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, dated the 19th day of March, 1883. [572

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Office, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 16th day of April, 1883, at TWELVE O'CLOCK, NOON, when the following Special Resolutions will be proposed:—
1.—That the Capital of the China Sugar Refining Company, Limited, be increased from $600,000 to $900,000 by the issue of 3,000 new Shares of $100 each to be issued at par.
2.—That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the Allottee at the time named for that purpose by the General Agents.
3.—That the said new shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times, as the General Agents shall think fit to the persons who shall on the 19th day of May, 1883, be the registered holders of the old or present shares, in the proportion of one new share for every two of the said old or present shares, and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents, and that any new share, or shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents shall be disposed of, and allotted, by the General Agents and Consulting Committee at such times, to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion direct in the interests of the Company.
4.—That, subject and without prejudice to any direction of the General Agents and Consulting Committee to the contrary made in pursuance of the immediately preceding resolution, holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of acceptance thereof within the meaning of Article No. 48 of the Articles of Association of the Company, to participate in the dividend for the year 1883 to the extent hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:
When and so soon as the dividend for the whole of the year 1883 shall have been ascertained and become payable in pursuance of the said Articles of Association, one moiety, or equal half part, thereof shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares exclusively, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them, and the other moiety, or equal half part thereof, shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them.
5.—That the dividend for the year 1884 and every subsequent year shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [677

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT TO LONDON VIA MARSEILLES.

COMMENCING with the Mail leaving Hongkong on the 21st June next, and until further notice the Company's Steamers will proceed to LONDON, viâ COLOMBO, calling at MARSEILLES en route.
The time occupied on the passage to PLYMOUTH and LONDON consequent on this change of route will be increased by a few hours only as the vessels will not call either at MALTA or GIBRALTAR.
PASSAGE.
The rates to MARSEILLES will be the same as to the Italian Ports and RETURN-TICKETS will be granted on similar terms.
For Further Particulars as to Freight and Passage, apply to
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1883. [538

SAM HING, JUNR.
STULTZ,
TAILOR AND OUTFITTER,
Dealer in Chinese Silk of all kinds,
BAMBOO BLINDS, CHINA MATTING, PITH HATS, &c., &c., &c.
By Special Appointment, Tailor to
H. R. H. the DUKE OF BRABANT, now
KING OF THE BELGIANS,
AND TO
H. M. the KING of the HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.
No. 62, Queen's Road Central,
(Fourth door West from Pottinger Street.)
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1883. [592

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS.
GOLD MEDAL,
PARIS, 1878.
Sold by all
Stationers and Dealers. [910

JOHN BALLEY WHITE & BROTHER'S PORTLAND CEMENT.
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1881. [526

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.
FRAISSINET & Co.
INDIA AND CHINA LINE.
S. S. "GOLCONDE," ANDRAC, COMMANDER.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named vessel from Marseilles and intermediate Ports, and in connection with the "NESTA" from London, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No. 12, whence and from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 12th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [483

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "MENELAUS." FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 9th instant for shipment per steamer "PATROCLUS."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [625

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "MENELAUS,"
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 4th April, 1883.
Goods undelivered after the 10th April, 1883, will be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [625

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"LORD OF THE ISLES,"
Captain Felgate, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to Yokohama unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, TO-DAY.
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th instant, or they will not be recognised.
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [652

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
"CARNARVONSHIRE,"
Patrick, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods with exception of Opium are being landed at their risk into Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No. 12, whence and from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M., TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 8th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [609

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"JAPAN,"
Captain F. F. Flack, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from longside.
Cargo impeding her discharge or remaining on board after the 4th proximo, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.
Consignees are hereby informed that any Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 12th proximo.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [639

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Ex "YANGTSE,"
B C (in triangle) T (underneath) No. 794/811, 18 Cases Wine, Messrs. Birley & Co. from London.
A & F P (in diamond) 1634, 1 Case Soap, Order, from London.
H M E 66 Bundles Sandalwood, from Singapore.
A B E 1 Case Birds Feathers, from Singapore.
E B J 1 Case do. do.
H J 3 Bales Sharkfins, do.
M M A 1 Case Birds Feathers, do.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

NOTICE.

AMOUNTS due to the LUSITANO SWEEPS must be paid before the 15th instant, or the DEBTORS will be considered as "DEFAULTERS" and their names—without exception—will be published as such.
EÇA DA SILVA.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [659

FOR SALE CHEAP.

FIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR in lots to suit from one ton upwards.
CHOY CHEW.
230, Praya West.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [668

CURIOSITIES.
CHINESE AND JAPANESE CURIOS,
ANCIENT AND MODERN.
PICTURES, FURNITURE,
ON SALE OR FOR HIRE.
E. CASSUMBHOY,
BEACONSFIELD ARCADE,
Opposite City Hall. [550

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

THE PROPRIETORS OF THE STEAM RICE MILLS, VIZ:
OF THE COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE DE SAIGON, AND OF THE
RIZERIE A VAPEUR DE CHOLEN
(A. SPOONER, ED. RENARD & Co.)
BEG leave to bring to the NOTICE of IMPORTERS of Saigon Rice, that they guarantee the quantity of Paddy stipulated for in their Contracts, allowing ¼ Cent on Contract Price for each catty of Paddy, contained in the average sample as taken on delivery of the Rice, exceeding the percentage agreed upon. [546

INTIMATIONS.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.
UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE,
ON
TUESDAY, 10TH APRIL,
THE OFFICERS OF "THE BUFFS,"
Assisted by
LADY AMATEURS,
WILL PLAY
CHARLES SMITH CHELTENAM'S
COMEDY IN THREE ACTS,
A LESSON IN LOVE.

ORLANDO MIDDLEMARK	Mr. B. HOLME.
Capt. FREEMAN	Capt. NEWNHAM DAVIS.
BABBLEBROOK	Mr. H. SOMERSET.
Mrs. SUTHERLAND	Mrs. BERNARD.
Miss LESLIE	Mrs. WOODBINE.
Miss ANASTASIA WINTERBERRY	Mrs. CHERVAU.

The String Band of the Regiment will play between the Acts.
The Proceeds of this Performance will be divided amongst the local Charities.
Stalls and Dress Circle, $2; Pit, $1.
Doors open at 8.30 to commence at 9.
Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [599

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHWANG, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)
THE Company's Steamship
"POSANG,"
Captain Irvine, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at FOUR P.M., instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [679

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI, AND TAIWANFOO.
THE Steamship
"CHINA,"
Captain H. Schoer, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
YUEN FAT HONG,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [680

FOR SWATOW.
THE Steamship
"THALES,"
Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 9th instant, at NOON.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [682

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.
THE Steamship
"CASSANDRA,"
Captain Wagner, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 9th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [681

TO LET.
A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 ROOMS) with Garden, in Mosque Junction. The above has Gas and Water laid on; and immediate possession can be had.
For Particulars apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [684

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN DOLLARS Current in this Colony weighing 7.1.7., in exchange for BILLS drawn ON DEMAND on HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY CHEST, COLOMBO, CEYLON, will be received by the Staff Paymaster until TWELVE, NOON, on MONDAY Next, the 9th instant.
The Tenders to state the Total Amount required (in Rupees) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums below Rs. 10,000.
The Tenders to be in Duplicate in Sealed Covers addressed to the "Staff Paymaster" and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."
The right to accept or reject any or all the Tenders is reserved.
AUG. S. MURRAY,
Major,
Staff Paymaster.
Treasury Office, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [683

WANTED.

A GOOD GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT, well acquainted with Accounts.
Address, stating References, Age and Salary required,
D.
Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [674

WANTED—FOUR STRONG PONIES, Sound and Quiet.
Apply to
DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT,
Central Police Station.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [669

W. BREWER has just received A Quantity of New Juvenile BOOKS.
SCRAP ALBUMS.
CHIT BOOKS.
PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.
MACKINNON PENS.
FINE ART GOODS.
NEW BOOKS.
BIRTHDAY CARDS.
FANCY STATIONERY.
PHOTO ALBUMS FOR CABINETS ONLY.
NEW MUSIC.
SKETCHING BOOKS.
NEW FANCY GOODS.
10 Per Cent. for Cash.
27] W. BREWER, Bookseller, &c.

LOST.

TEN BUILDING DEBENTURES of the COUNTRY CLUB, SHANGHAI, Numbered 39/48, issued in the name of JOHN ANDREW; any one finding the same is requested to return them to the Undersigned.
C. D. KERR,
Hon. Sec., Country Club.
Shanghai, 12th March, 1883. [509

NOTICE.

THE Offices of the Undersigned have this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor of No. 43, Queen's Road Central, above Achee's Furniture Store.
DENNYS & MOSSOP,
Solicitors and Notaries Public.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [648

PIANOFORTES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the sale of the

PIANOFORTES

manufactured by BROADWOOD, COLLARD & COLLARD, and CHAPPELL,

of London, and they have on view, for Sale or Hire, a large selection of various styles, Comprising:—

A BROADWOOD'S CONCERT GRAND, COTTAGE GRANDS, SHORT-GRANDS, COTTAGE PIANOS and PIANINOS, made expressly for this Climate.

They have also for sale CHAPPELL'S latest MUSIC, including "IOLANTHE," GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S latest OPERA.

PIANOS tuned and kept in thorough repair by an experienced Tuner from Messrs BROADWOOD & SONS.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [632

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON AND CO.
FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS,

By Appointment to His Excellency the GOVERNOR and his Royal Highness the

DUKE OF EDINBURGH,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
PERFUMERS,
PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRYMEN,
And
AERATED WATER MAKERS.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED,
PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON and Co., or

HONGKONG DISPENSARY. [23

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Orders for extra copies of the *Daily Press* should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 6TH, 1883.

THE question of the establishment of overland commercial communication between India and China, which, after the failure of Colonel BROWNE's expedition in 1875 and the murder of poor MARGARY, had been allowed to drop temporarily out of sight, has recently been revived with considerable energy. The journey performed by Mr. COLQUHOUN from Canton to Calcutta, and the attention it has excited in the Press, is no doubt the primary cause of this revival of interest in a matter always of the highest commercial importance, while the activity shown by France in Cochin-China has also doubtless not been without some influence. The policy of China has always been to endeavour to keep foreigners out of Thibet and prevent any overland communication between her South-western provinces and British-Indian territory. The kingdom of Burmah at present interposes between the Indian and Chinese frontiers, and serves to postpone the establishment of direct overland commercial intercourse between these two great countries. Sooner or later Burmah must fall under the rule of the Indian Government, for it is at present sadly misgoverned and its existence as an independent country retards the development of British Burmah, while it also checks the growth of Indian trade. The British Government should also urge upon that of Peking the desirability of opening Thibet to Indian trade under reasonable conditions and consenting to allow British subjects to visit that curious country for purposes of geographical discovery, &c. A paper has recently been read in London before the Indian Section of the Society of Arts by Mr. C. H. LEPPER on "Overland communication between India and China *viâ* Assam," in which the author not only showed good reasons for the route he proposed, but gave some interesting information on the subject generally. Mr. LEPPER contended that there were fewer political difficulties in the way of opening a trade route through Assam than in any other direction. He showed that the country intervening between Assam and the places farther east and north was inhabited by the Singpho people, who were friendly, and owed, or rather gave, no allegiance to any one. He gave a short sketch of the relations of China with the surrounding States, and spoke of Chinese influence in Thibet. The Darjeeling Railway, however, and the intercourse it permits by allowing Thibetans to visit India, is already, he said, making a stir in public opinion in Thibet. It is encouraging comparisons between British rule, with its justice and freedom from official pilfering and tyranny on the one hand, and the unhappy conditions ruling in Thibet on the other, where the people are looted by both Lamas and Chinese officials to the last point of endurance. Mr. LEPPER urges, moreover, as another argument in favour of the route he suggests the fact that merchandise would then not have to cross the King of Burmah's territory, and that it would be easy to extend the existing Darjeeling railway to the Irrawaddi. No doubt there are considerable advantages to be gained by tapping China by way of Assam, but it may be questioned whether good policy dictates non-intervention in Burmah. This state is about the worst ruled in all Asia, and so manifold are the abuses that the people would, we believe, offer little objection to pass under British rule. At the same time, it cannot be denied that there is at present in England a very strong disposition to oppose any further extension of the national responsibilities by the acquisition of further territory, and hence it is that Mr. LEPPER's arguments derive considerable force. The Indian planters and merchants are likely to favour them because they hope to find a fresh market in Thibet for Indian tea, which they could exchange for Thibetan wool and gold. The French are fully alive to the possibilities of the future trade with Western China by means of the Songkoi, and will of course do their best to open up that route, the advantages of which have been so often dilated upon by French explorers, by none more eloquently than the late lamented LOUIS DE CARNE. We shall be glad to see efforts made both by the French Authorities and by the Indian Government to bring about overland communication with China. The more avenues there are opened up to commerce the better, for not only will the races inhabiting these remote and secluded regions develop new wants with the spread of knowledge, but new industries will be created and new products raised there when a market for them is found. The mission of the enterprising European trader is primarily the enrichment of self, but in accomplishing it he at the same time enriches those with whom he traffics. The Chinese have long since found out this fact, and the Koreans, in their seclusion, have somehow learned the same lesson, and are now as eager to welcome the formerly contemned barbarians of the West as they once showed fear and dislike towards them. It is only a question of time when all the unexplored states and forbidden regions of the Far East will have been penetrated by the pioneers of commerce; even the "dark continent" is gradually yielding up its mysteries to the traveller and welcoming the trader, and the time is not so far distant when the argosies of commerce will float upon lakes and rivers whose placid surface has never yet been ruffled by anything but the primitive canoe of the savage.

The French corvette *Kersaint*, Commander Beaumont, left here for Canton yesterday morning.

The U. S. gunboat *Monocacy*, Commander C. S. Cotton, left here yesterday morning for Swatow.

Mr. J. Russell Young, the United States Minister to Peking, arrived at Shanghai on the 30th ult. from the North by the *Wuchang*.

The Agent informs us that the O. and O. Steamship Company's steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, has arrived at Yokohama, and will sail for this port on the 8th inst.

The *Straits Times* is informed on good authority that Captain Bloomfield Douglas, lately Resident of Selangor, has been offered and has accepted the post of Governor of Sabah in succession to Mr. Treacher.

The German corvette *Stosch*, Captain Von Buchholtz, arrived here from a cruise on Wednesday evening, and yesterday morning she exchanged salutes with Admiral Willes on board the *Audacious*, and Admiral Clitz of the U.S.S. *Richmond*.

A correspondent writes to the *N. C. Daily News* from Ch'êng-tu Fu, the capital of Sze-chuan, under date of the 1st March:—"Mr. Hosie, our representative at Chung-king, passed through here two days ago on his way to Ta-li Fu, viâ the Kien-chung Valley. He rested two days only, though the weather was extremely wet and unfavourable."

A Peking correspondent of our Shanghai morning contemporary writes under date of the 21st March:—"To-day the missionaries here are forwarding the Anti-opium Petition to London. It is 12ft. 3in. long, and bears 239 signatures. Only four missionaries, as far as the Committee is aware, have declined to sign. Absence from home when the Petition was circulated for signature prevented many others from appending their names."

The Shanghai *Courier* says:—"The works at Port Arthur, the new Chinese naval depôt, appear to be rapidly advancing towards completion, and thousands of coolies are engaged carrying mud from the dock which is being built. Several guns are at present at Shanghai waiting transhipment to Port Arthur. One steamer has been offered Tls. 5,000 for the purpose, but has declined, as she has other engagements. The *Yung Ching* took a number of coolies across from Tientsin on her last trip to be employed on the work."

The following note from Korea is published from a correspondent by the *Hochi Shimbun*:—"One hundred rebels (anti-Japanese agitators) have been captured at Kwan-ön-do and ten ringleaders put to death. I Chai-wan, the eldest son of the Dai In Kun, and brother of the present King, went to China in company with Min, for the purpose of begging the Emperor to liberate his father. The King visits the parade ground three or four times a month, where the Korean troops are drilled by Chinese officers. The coinage of silver money has been commenced under the management of a native merchant, and besides there were a large number of taels in circulation which the Chinese soldiers are spending."

The *Hiogo News* says:—We ventured to surmise some time since that the Chinese would speedily monopolize whatever Korean trade is worth having. Our conjecture is now abundantly corroborated by a correspondent of the *Kobe Shimpô*, who has recently written to that journal from Fusan, where he is residing. He states that there has been a lamentable falling off in the business of the port, the volume of trade—both export and import—having declined about 18,000 *yen* in a single week. This, however, may be principally owing to so few steamers having arrived there. It is also mentioned that the Chinese are flooding Soul with goods, principally grey shirtings, and are selling at prices much under those asked by the Japanese. This they are enabled to do because, as the *Shim-po's* informant alleges, the China Merchants' Company are charging very low freights, and he anticipates as a natural sequence a great alteration in the business carried on in Korea by the Japanese. A significant sign of times is the closing up of several agencies of wealthy Osaka firms.

On Wednesday morning the third steamer of the Nouvelle Compagnie Marseillaise de Navigation à Vapeur arrived in the harbour from Marseilles. This vessel, the *Golconde*, Captain Andrae, is a fine new steamer, of 3,041 tons net, and 5,000 tons gross register. She is rigged as a three-masted schooner, and is 403 feet 6 inches in length, with 42 feet beam, and 36 feet depth of hold. She thus ranks with the very largest steamers that visit this port. She is built entirely of steel, and, we are told, is the first steel steamer that has been built in France. Her engines are compound surface condensing, with a nominal horse-power of 500, and 2,000 indicated. Her average is 11½ knots. She has a top-gallant forecastle, but is flush decked aft, and her passenger accommodation is on the main deck. Forty passengers will find very commodious accommodation in both the first and second class. The first class saloon is aft, and is large, well lighted, and most comfortable looking. It is very neatly fitted up, and round the tables are revolving chairs fixed to the floor. Above this saloon, at the head of the staircase, is a nicely fitted-up smoking room, and leading out of the saloon is the ladies' saloon with cabins leading therefrom. The great feature of the passenger arrangements, however, is the cabin accommodation, which is most unusually good. The cabins are very large, and in each there are only two berths, one on either side, and in their fitting up, every consideration has been paid to comfort. The baths are excellent, and there is a very complete system of water supply. The second class saloon is large and airy, and the cabin accommodation is extremely good, whilst there is a capital ladies' saloon. The vessel has been 44 days coming out from Marseilles, but she had unusually long stoppages—four days at Port Said and Suez, a day at Aden, and another at both Colombo and Singapore, whilst at Saigon she was detained no less than six days. This steamer was built by Messrs. Forges and Chantiers de la Mediterranée à la Seyne, and is a type of those which the company proposes to build for their China line.

The agent informs us that the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Ava*, with the next outward French mail, left Saigon at noon yesterday for this port.

The Freemasons of Shanghai gave a grand ball in their fine hall on the evening of the 29th ult., when about 130 ladies and over 300 gentlemen were present. The decorations of the hall were excellent, and all the arrangements good. The ball altogether was a great success and went off with much *éclat*.

A very large specimen of the red python (*p. Curtus*) has been handed to the police at Singapore and taken over by Dr. Dennys for the British Museum. Only one specimen is known to exist in European museums, viz., at Leyden. The Raffles Museum has two specimens both caught in Singapore. The one just brought in came from Johore.—*Straits Times.*

We have received the report of the Amoy Chinese Hospital for 1882. The total number of patients during the year was 4,934, of whom more than 600 were treated in the house. 282 surgical operations were performed. Interesting details are given of the more important cases. The hospital is evidently doing a good work, and Dr. Ringer and his colleagues are to be congratulated on the results achieved. Speaking of the comparatively mild character of the cases of a certain disease as compared with those formerly treated, Dr. Ringer says:—"This may probably be accounted for by the fact that the operation for the disease, so successful in its results, is now known far and wide amongst the Chinese, and sufferers seek the aid of foreign surgery long before the complaint has reached the inordinate proportions frequently attained in years gone by." If Dr. Ringer's explanation be correct, and no other explanation suggests itself, foreign surgery has indeed achieved a very substantial triumph. In such a horrible disease as that referred to the saying that "prevention is better than cure" applies with even more than usual force. We regret to note that the funds of the institution are not in such a flourishing condition as they might be, but as the community of Amoy evidently take a keen interest in it, there is not much likelihood of its utility being impaired for want of money.

A collision occurred between two steam launches in the harbour yesterday morning, which was very near having serious results. The *Morning Star* was carrying passengers from Hongkong to Yau Mah Tee, and a Chinese revenue launch, which had just been turned out from repairing at Mong Kok Tsui, was running in the same direction. She was going a kind of trial trip, and doing her best, but could not get past the *Morning Star*, which was about half a length ahead. A junk being in the way, it became necessary for either the *Morning Star* to slow down to enable the cruiser to cross her bows or for the latter to slow down and pass under her stern. Being behind, it was evidently the place of the Chinese boat to give way, but her captain did not seem to think so, for he ported his helm, and running full butt at the side of the other launch, would inevitably have cut her down and sunk her had not her captain with commendable presence of mind jammed his helm hard-a-port, and thus turned off the force of the collision. As it was the only damage done was by the anchor of the cruiser catching in a stanchion of the other boat and bending it. The Chinese on board the two launches would certainly have fallen to fighting had not Inspector Cameron and another European passenger or two on board the *Morning Star* interfered. The revenue launch seems to have been entirely in the wrong, and the action of her captain nothing short of an outrage, for had the helmsman of the *Morning Star* acted in a less ready manner, there would probably have been serious loss of life, as his launch was full of passengers. It is to be hoped the man may be called to account for his conduct.

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THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Sir G. Pease has introduced a motion urging that the Chinese Government should be allowed liberty of action regarding the opium duty.

The Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department said that the Chefoo Convention was not ratified because it was not finally settled but that a favourable issue to the negotiations is expected, together with the abolition of transit dues. He opposed the motion because it would prejudice pending negotiations, and the motion was negatived by 1?2 votes against 66.

THE BUFFS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

SECOND DAY.

Yesterday was not quite so favourable to the Buffs for their sports, as the weather was close, hot, and showery; still the showers only fell at intervals, and were neither heavy nor long, and those who were present were able to witness the events with a fair amount of comfort. The spectators found much to amuse them, the great variety of events in the programme bringing out good contests. The tugs-of-war over water proved rather desperate affairs, as when the weaker side got into the water, they stuck at the bank on the other side, and could not be made to go past, and it was only by dragging the rope through their hands that it could be drawn to the other side of the water. The officers and sergeants adopted the water tug, and soon the sergeants had their superiors engaged in what we heard not inaptly described as "mudlarking," floundering in greasy mud and dirty water, and after a game struggle they had to succumb to the sergeants, who were well coached and pulled together in better form. This somewhat inelegant form of sport was drawn out rather too far, as the company teams involved four preliminary tugs, two second pulls, and a final. Each pull occupied a long time, for the men were game to the backbone, and held on tooth and nail to the bitter end, and it was found there was only time for the preliminary pulls, so the other three were left over till this morning. They will not be pulled over water, but will be done on dry ground at Scandal Point above the barracks. After all, a good pull on dry ground, last man to go over the line, is a more interesting affair than the "mudlarking" process, though one or two specimens of the latter are not amiss by way of a novelty. The 100 yards was not done in such good time as we expected from the official time of Wood's 200 yards the previous day. Wood, though a competitor, was never in the race at all, being a good way behind all three placed men, and Mara, the winner, did the distance in eleven seconds, official time, which would lead to the belief that there must have been some mistake about the 22 seconds recorded for the recruits' 200 yards the day before. Mara was by far the most successful man all round both days; Corporal Else, who occupied that position last year, was somewhat out of condition, and had to put up with less success. The attendance on the ground, though not so large as on the previous day, was very good, there being many ladies present. The band of the regiment enlivened the scene again with a capital selection of airs.

The order of events was as follows:—

HIGH JUMP.—First prize, $3; second, $2.

Entries: Privates Jones, Green, Taylor, Mara, and Coachman. Jumping started 4 ft. 5 in., Coachman and Green being the first to fail, and Mara and Taylor were the last two left in. The latter failed at 4 ft. 8 in., which Mara cleared well, and he then tried to do 5 feet, but failed.

Pte. Mara (C Company)	4 ft. 8 in.
Pte. Taylor (D Company)	4 ft. 7 in.

HURDLE RACE, 120 yards.—First prize, $4; second, $2; third, $1.

Entries: Corpls. Else and Mann, Ptes. Green, Mara, Withers, Brown, Jones, Lynch, Edgehill, and Swindell. Mara was the first to show in front, and, jumping in good form, won the race by about four yards with Brown second, and Green a foot behind the latter. Else, the winner last year, was put out of the race by a fall. Time, 19 4-5ths seconds.

Pte. Mara (C Company)	1
Pte. Brown (C Company)	2
Pte. Green (D Company)	3

VETERANS' RACE (over 12 years service).—First Prize $4 second, $2.

Entries: Privates Marshall, Mullens, Parker and Ohlson. Marshall made the best start, and taking the lead, he just succeeded in maintaining it to the tape, though Mullens was gaining on him at every step and only finished about a foot behind. Time, 12 3-5ths seconds.

Pte. Marshall (C Company)	1
Pte. Mullens (H Company)	2

100 YARDS RACE.—First Prize $4; second, $2; third, $1.

Entries: Drum Sergeant Gleeson, Privates Mara, Withers, Tapp, Brown, Drury, Green, Wood, Moss and Mara. Mara, the winner of several other events, pulled himself in front, and increasing his lead all the way, won by about two yards in 11 seconds. Gleeson was second, and Withers a good third.

Pte. Mara (C Company)	1
Drum Sergt. Gleeson (C Company)	2
Pte. Withers (E Company)	3

SACK RACE—50 Yards—First prize $2; second $1.

Entries: Corpl. Mann, Privates Farrel, Clark, Taylor, Wood, Allan, Roy, Bush, Reynolds, Broadhurst, Reilly, Drury, and Kirby. Spills were pretty numerous, but Reilly went well and won first prize, Drury being second.

Pte. Reilly (E Compy.)	1
Corpl. Drury (D Compy.)	2

STEEPLE CHASE—Quarter Mile, scramble—First prize, $4; second, $2; third $1.

Entries: Corpl. Mann, Privates Eagin, Green, Brown, Drury, Powell, Bowdidge, Eaglin, Taylor, Jones, Farrell, Broadhurst, Kirby, Connelly, Shrubshell, and Mara. Mara was the first into the water jump, closely followed by the rest. He kept his lead round, though Green was at his heels the whole time. At the finish Mara spurted, and Green could not catch him. Withers was third.

Pte. Mara (C Compy.)	1
Pte. Green (D Compy.)	2
Pte. Withers (D Compy.)	3

TUG OF WAR—Officers v. Sergeants. Across a ditch of water.

Taken all round, the sergeants' eleven were somewhat the heavier team, but they were nearly even. The sergeants seemed to have the advantage of training, for they pulled in somewhat the better style, and at each heave they gave, they drew the officers a little bit forward. Lieut. D'Aeth ran into the ditch to get the advantage of the bank the other side, and he pulled till the rope ground his jersey through first, and then wore the skin off under his arm. One of the sergeants, however, ran forward and took the other bank of the pond, which soon became full of officers, and despite the very game way in which they pulled, their end of the rope was at length on the wrong side of the ditch. The team were composed as follow.

OFFICERS.	SERGEANTS.
Lieut. D. Aeth.	Sergeant Coulby.
Capt. Davies.	Sergeant Giles.
Lieut. Holme.	Sergeant Henley.
Lieut. Lloyd.	Sergeant Mulholland.
Capt. Gordon.	Sergeant Milne.
Lieut. Allen.	Sergeant Barton.
Lieut. Porter.	Sergeant Gleeson.
Lieut. Lewis.	Sergeant Edgehill.
Lieut. Ravenhill.	Sergeant Howarth.
Lieut. Bunbury.	Sergeant Farrell.
Lieut. Vyvyan.	Sergeant Robinson.

COMPANIES' TUG, 10 men a-side, over a ditch of water, end of rope to be pulled on opposite bank, Prize $10.

Eight lusty teams came forward to do battle for the honour of their respective companies. The first to pull were the D and G Companies' teams, captained by Corpl. Fox, and Pte. Taylor respectively. The latter proved the stronger team, and soon had the other men into the ditch, where four or five of the end ones stuck most obstinately, and others in front of them running back to get benefit of the bank to stick at, they got back a little of their rope, but their desperate struggling was in vain, for the D Company men, after about a quarter of an hour's tugging, got the rope across the water.

H and B Companies next entered the lists against each other but this pull was not so long as the previous one. As in the other contests the weaker side made their stand at the bank of the ditch, but the H Company men proved a good deal the stronger side, and after some few minutes dragged the rope through the knot of men hanging like a swarm of bees on to the bank. Corporal Bush captained H team and Private Connelly B team.

F and A Companies were next represented, and again there was a rather large balance of power on one side. The A men had their opponents into the ditch hand over hand, and even on the bank they made no great stand, for at every heave the rope went a bit more through them, and none was ever recovered. Private Andrews was captain of A team, and Private Neville of the other.

C and E companies' teams had the last of the preliminary pulls, and after a good hard contest the latter were victors. The captains were C, Private Mara, and E, Private Reilly.

The other pulls were postponed for lack of time till this morning, when they will be got over at Scandal Point.

BUCKET OF WATER RACE. 80 yards.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

This race was substituted for the pole jump. The competitors were Corporal Mann, Privates Mara, Drury, Bennett, Stone, Munnings, and Bush. Mara won well, and came in with plenty of water in his bucket, with Munnings third, but the latter took second honours on account of being more economical over the water. Time, 11 4-5ths seconds.

Pte. Mara (C Company)	1
Pte. Munnings (H Company)	2

NATIVE COOKS' RACE.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

About a dozen chinkies entered for this event, which was 26 4-5ths. seconds. The placed men were—

Afoo (E Company)	1
Ayow (E Company)	2
Akwi (D Company)	3

CONSOLATION RACE, 200 yards.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Privates Jones, Adams, Warner, Clark, Swindell, Mara, Shrubshell, Tapp, and Kirby. Tapp won a good race in 23 2-5ths seconds, whilst Mara, not the winner in so many other events, was second.

Pte. Tapp (A Company)	1
Pte. Mara (B Company)	2

BLUE JACKETS RACE, 100 yards. First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Demmer, Hall, G. Feero and W. Jones. The latter won somewhat easily, with Demmer second.

W. Jones (Curaçoa)	1
Demmer (Audacious)	2

MARINES' RACE, 100 Yards—First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Bradley, Bellingham, Marley, Denley, and Dunn. Bradley won a good race in 12 2-5ths seconds, with Marley second, and Dunn third.

Pte. Bradley (Audacious)	1
Pte. Marley (Audacious)	2

The last two events were got up on the ground, and after they had been run, an open space was made for the presentation of the prizes to the successful athletes. Mr. Hobson kindly consented to hand the men their well earned rewards. To-day a regatta will wind up the Buffs' athletic carnival, the races to commence at two o'clock.

SUPREME COURT.

5th April.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, CHIEF JUSTICE, AND A SPECIAL JURY.

WONG YIK HIM v. YU SHUI WAN.

This was a suit for the specific performance of a contract to purchase certain land.

The Attorney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley), instructed by Messrs. Sharp, Toller, and Johnson, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Ewens, for the defendant.

The jurors were Messrs. J. R. Anton, A. E. Vaucher, C. C. Cohen, W. Legge, J. Bell-Irving, W. K. Hughes, and T. Jackson.

On the 17th September, 1881, an agreement was entered into whereby the plaintiff agreed to sell and the defendant to purchase inland lots Nos. 430 and 431 and marine lot 117, the contract to be completed on the 31st October. The property is situated at Wanchai, with godowns upon it, and on the other side of the praya is a piece of land reclaimed from the sea on which are standing a number of blocks of stone. The plaintiff had bought the land from Mr. H. W. Davis for $35,000, and he resold it to the defendant for $62,000, $7,000 being paid as bargain money. The making of the agreement was not disputed. The defence was that the defendant was induced to enter into the agreement by the representation of the plaintiff or his agents that the property comprised an area of 47,000 square feet, whereas in fact it only comprised an area of 34,800 feet; and that the plaintiff represented the reclamation on the other side of the praya and opposite the sea front of lot 117 was vested in him and was a portion of the total area making up the 47,000 square feet. This was denied by the plaintiff, and the question in dispute was whether in fact it was represented to the defendant that the reclamation was included in the property the defendant agreed to buy. The plaintiff, whose testimony was unsupported by other witnesses as to the main facts, gave evidence to the effect that all that was sold were the lots as he bought them, and that he did not know the area, and never stated that the reclamation was included. He denied having given the brokers certain instructions in writing which were produced in which the area was mentioned. On the other side the brokers engaged stated that the plaintiff pointed out the piece of land in question as part of that which was to be sold and that he signed the instructions in which the area was mentioned. The agreement was prepared by Messrs. Brereton, Wotton, and Deacon, and contained no statement of measurement, but there was a clause to the effect that the property was sold with all rights and benefits, if any, of extension seawards, but this was a printed form. Some evidence was given of a conversation which took place in Mr. Wotton's office when the bargain money was paid and instructions given for the drawing up of the agreement, but Mr. Wotton himself was not called, the reason, it was stated, being that Mr. Wotton did not recollect the circumstances. When the time for completion of the contract arrived, Messrs. Sharp, Toller, and Johnson wrote on behalf of the plaintiff to the defendant requesting him to make arrangements for executing the assignment. The defendant then placed the matter in the hands of Messrs. Brereton, Wotton, and Deacon, and a number of letters passed in reference to it. The defendant had requested Mr. Bird to survey the land and prepare plans for certain buildings, and Mr. Bird then informed him that the reclamation on the other side of the Praya, measuring about 12,000 square feet, belonged to the Government and could not be included in the property to be assigned. The defendant thereupon demanded a good title to the whole or an abatement of the price, but no arrangement was arrived at, and the present suit was instituted.

In answer to the special questions put by his Lordship the jury found that it was stated to the defendant by the agent of the plaintiff that the reclamation was included and that the lots together with the reclamation contained in the whole an area of 47,000 square feet (unanimously); that the agent was not authorised by the plaintiff to make that representation (by a majority of four to three); and, third, that the defendant agreed to purchase the lots upon the faith of that representation and in the belief that the reclamation was included and that the area of the property was 47,000 square feet or thereabouts (unanimously).

Mr. Francis said he would move the court on the answer to the third question that judgment be entered for the defendant.

His Lordship said the case must come on for further directions.

The foreman said the jury wished to remark that they considered it an extraordinary fact that Mr. Wotton had not been called in the case.

His Lordship said the reason Mr. Wotton had not been called was that he had no recollection of the circumstances.

POLICE COURT.

5th April.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE.

UNWHOLESOME FOOD.

Tim Ki and Wo To Sin, stall keepers, No. 34, Western Market, were summoned by Inspector Orley, for sending to the Slaughter House a measly pig. The charge was proved and defendants fined $10 each, or seven days' imprisonment.

OBSTRUCTION.

Kwok Kat Chew and Ho Apim, masters of a bamboo shop at Praya West, were fined $2 each for stacking bamboos on a certain footway.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

N. Murdoch, sailor, was charged with being drunk and incapable on the 4th instant, and was fined $1, or four days in gaol.

STRAGGLER.

Charles McGregor, seaman, was charged with being a straggler from his ship, which he admitted. He was ordered to be sent on board

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

U Achan, coolie, was charged with the unlawful possession of 18 fish, value thirty cents. He said he got the fish from a ship where he had been working.

Fined $10, or one month's hard labour.

OPIUM CASES.

Mak Alung, shop coolie, was convicted of possession of prepard opium without a licence, and was fined $25. The opium found to be forfeited.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Lau Ahi, cook, was committed for trial on a charge of stealing one coat and a pair of shoes, value $5, on the 16th ult. in the harbour on board the steamer *Saltee*. There were seven previous convictions recorded against the prisoner.

BEFORE CAPT. H. G. THOMSETT, R.N.

NUISANCE.

Yuen Mow, of No. 67, Tak Hing-lane, was summoned by Mr. James Clorihow, Inspector of Nuisances, for permitting an accumulation of noisome and offensive matter to remain in his cook-house. The charge was proved and defendant fined $2.

LARCENY.

Chun Atak, unemployed, was brought up on a charge of stealing a jacket, value $3, the property of U Hop, a married woman, on the 4th instant, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

UNWHOLESOME FOOD.

Kam Ki, owner of pork stall No. 2, Sai-ying-poon Market, was summoned by Inspector Orley for sending to the Slaughter House two sick pigs.

Defendant said he was not aware that the pigs were diseased.

Fined $20.

LARCENY.

Li See Mui, coolie, and Chan Sze Man, head coolie, were charged by Mr. Geo. Ferguson, engineer, of the East Point Sugar Refinery, with stealing one firing shovel, two baskets, and fifty feet of leather band, value about $40, on the 5th inst. The charge was fully proved against the second defendant and he was fined $20, in default two months' hard labour. The first defendant was discharged.

ROBBING THE GOVERNMENT.

Chan Afuk, coal coolie, was convicted of stealing one copper hammer, one chisel and one padlock, from H. M. Naval Coalsheds at Kowloon, on the 5th instant, and was sent to gaol for three months with hard labour.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in this company was held on the 29th March at the offices of the company in Hankow Road, Shanghai. Mr. E. H. Lavers, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presided, and there were also present:—Messrs. F. H. Bell, D. Brand, J. A. Hawes, H. R. Hearn, A. G. Wood (Directors), P. McGregor Grant, J. Beattie, E. G. Low, J. Morris, W. Brit, H. Ruttmann, E. O. Arbuthnot, H. J. Such, E. Cameron, A. Anderson, E. Davis, A. Burman, A. Dent, C. S. Sharp, A. J. H. Carlill, E. J. Hogg, R. Francis, J. G. Purdon, W. G. Bayne, W. H. Short, E. Moses, J. S. Ezekiel, F. A. Burchardi, E. Wheeler, W. White, T. Wood, A. C. Westall, J. H. B. Allen, J. F. Cheetham, P. Maclean, Emil Burmeister, Carl Jantzen, J. Sharp, E. Taumeyer, H. De C. Forbes, J. M. Young, B. H. Burns, P. G. Hübbe, G. A. Lindsay, W. C. Ward, W. Pardon, R. Mackenzie, R. Horne Boyd, W. H. Arets, J. F. Seaman, A. Albert, F. Stokes, R. A. Letchford, J. A. Taylor, P. Arnold, A. J. M. Inverarity, T. Latham (Legal Adviser to the Company), and H. S. Morris (Secretary), representing 802 shares.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, the requisite number of shareholders being present and representing more than the necessary number of shares, we will commence the business, Mr. Morris will read the notice.

Mr. H. S. MORRIS, Secretary, accordingly read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—The expediency of adopting measures whereby the liability of the Shareholders may be defined and limited, and the Company placed upon a proper legal basis, has engaged the attention of the Directors for the past eight years, and we find a growing feeling in mercantile circles that an essential feature of a public company is limited liability. This is made self-evident by the number of institutions that have altered their constitution in this respect during the last few years. As most Shareholders are aware, we have been doing our utmost to bring about the extension of the Joint Stock Company Acts of England to China, which would have enabled us to register the Company here, but the Foreign Office, although showing every disposition to meet our views, apparently regard the legal and technical difficulties as insuperable, more particularly as regards the admission of non-British shareholders, and to deprive the Company of its cosmopolitan character would of course be most detrimental to its interests. The Directors have therefore determined, after much careful consideration, to recommend registration in London, where we have a number of shareholders, and where our business has assumed important dimensions. It is not, however, the intention to remove the Head Office from Shanghai, or to divert the control of affairs. The semi-annual-meeting of Shareholders will still be held, and in fact all the main features of the existing Company will be maintained. Our object is to obtain the advantages of being a limited liability Company, for which purpose we shall have a registered office in London and comply with all the requirements of the Joint Stock Company Acts. In order to attain this it becomes necessary in a legal sense to dissolve the present co-partnership, although there will not be any practical suspension of the business of the Company. I may here mention that our friends at home, apprehending danger of the title of the Company being appropriated by strangers, have already, with our concurrence, registered the North China Insurance Company, Limited. I now beg to propose the first resolution, namely—"That the Company be wound up and dissolved for the purpose of constituting a Company under the name of the North-China Insurance Company, Limited, which shall be registered in England under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1880 as a Company with liability limited by shares."

Mr. A. G. WOOD—I beg to second the motion.

The CHAIRMAN—Before putting the resolution to the meeting I shall be glad to answer any question you may put with regard to it.

No questions were asked, and on the motion being put to the meeting it was unanimously carried.

The CHAIRMAN said—Before proposing the second resolution, I must ask you to read it with the following slight amendment, viz.: after the word Company in the fourth line insert the words—*to the North-China Insurance Company, Limited*. As the present co-partnership is to be dissolved, it becomes necessary that authority should be given to transfer the business to the new limited company and carry out all the details involved therein. An agreement will be drawn up and signed by parties on either side for the sale of the property for a consideration equal in amount to the present paid up Capital and the Reserve Fund at a given date, in exchange for which shares will be given in the New, and any surplus assets, after liquidation of the current business, will be divided amongst the shareholders in the old company, in accordance with the provisions of the Deed of Settlement. With these remarks I beg to propose—"That the Court of Directors be authorised to sell and dispose of the property, assets and business of the company on such terms and conditions as they may consider desirable and to enter into and execute all such agreements and contracts and to do all such acts and things as they may consider necessary or desirable for carrying into effect these resolutions."

Mr. F. H. BELL—I beg to second the resolution.

The CHAIRMAN said he should be glad to answer any questions with regard to the motion.

No questions being asked, the Chairman put the motion to the meeting and it was unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN—With regard to the next resolution which I have to bring before the meeting, I may remark that it is not the intention, unless some unforeseen circumstances should cause us to determine otherwise, to commence business under the new constitution until the 1st January, 1884, so that in the meantime, and for the purposes of the dissolution of this company, the present deed of settlement will continue in force. I now propose the third resolution of which notice has been given. It reads—

That until the above resolutions have been carried into effect and the property, assets and business have been transferred to and vested in the new company the deed of settlement and all the terms and provisions therefore shall have full force and effect.

Mr. H. R. HEARN—I have much pleasure in seconding the motion.

No response being made to an offer from the Chairman to answer any questions which the shareholders might wish to ask, the motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN—Gentlemen, the resolution you have just passed really concludes the business for which this meeting was convened, but as many of the shareholders present, in fact we hope all who can contribute business and lend valuable support, will be interested in the new limited Company, I may mention that active steps are being taken to organise it, and as already stated the Company is registered in London and its Memorandum of Association has just come to hand. A suitable Deed of Settlement is in the course of preparation and will be sent home shortly to be filed by the Registrar. The Circular already distributed will have informed you as to the most important changes which will appear in the new company. A meeting to confirm the business of the present meeting will be called between fourteen and thirty days;—most likely it will be held after the ordinary general meeting, which will take place about the middle of the month.

The meeting then dissolved.—*N. C. Daily News.*

TIENTSIN.

23rd March.

On the 21st inst., Prince Li of Korea arrived at this place from Pao-ting Fu, and had an interview with the Customs Tao-t'ai. To-morrow he will visit their Excellencies Li and Chang. It is rumoured here that the Dai In Kun has actually gone to Peking to petition the Empress for permission to return to Korea. An interview took place on the 20th between Herr von Möllendorff, the two Korean envoys, and Li Hung-chang. Mr. Tong King-sing was also present. It is said that an arrangement has been come to by which Mr. Tong is to work the iron and coal mines at Chü-chao in Anhui, and Mr. Yang the copper-mines. Many, however, who are very well informed, contradict the report.

Ma Kien-chung appears to have altered his intention with regard to coming to Tientsin to see Li Hung-chang, and will call upon his Excellency in Anhui. The younger brother of Mr. Tong King-sing, who went last autumn to Annam, has arrived here with two Annamese envoys. The principal one is named Fan Chen-shui, the second Yuen Shu. They have not been able to see Li yet on account of the sickness of the former.

To-day, at 4 a.m., Mr. Tong King-sing left in a steam-launch for Kai-ping, whence it is said he will return in about six days. Rumour has it that he has postponed his trip to Europe at the request of Li.

H.M.S. *Zephyr* arrived here last night on a flying visit.

News reaches us from Peking that His Imperial Highness the Seventh Prince has placed the opening of the Tsz-tang iron and coal mines, and the railroad in connection therewith, in the hands of Shui; and it is further said that Mr. Tong will not participate in this enterprise, being fully and honourably employed elsewhere. —*N. C. Daily News* Correspondent.

24th March.

That right and a determined will surmount obstacles has been ably illustrated of late by Mr. von Möllendorff; whom His Excellency Li Hung-chang admitted was right in the step taken by him in opposition to Mr. Tong King-sing's schemes in Korea; they went there together, and thence Mr. Tong King-sing had to return with his staff, the same as he left Chefoo, at the request of the Korean Government, without entering into any business relations; so that up to the present Korea is as much closed to China as to any other foreign nation until their Trading Regulations are ratified.

Prince Tsau, whom Mr. von Möllendorff accompanied to Korea, the framer of the United States Treaty, got disgraced, it is said, on his arrival at Soul, because he wore partly Chinese clothing, and it is said that is the reason why he did not return with Mr. von Möllendorff. That gentleman left this morning per *El Dorado* in company with these envoys. General Wu Chang-ching, with another lot of Korean envoys arrived in a Chinese gunboat from Korea. What a quantity of envoys Korea dispatches.

It is said that the Seventh Prince has placed the Tsai Tang Coal and Railroad affairs in Shui's hands and that Mr. Tong King-sing will have something to do with it.

At the meeting held by the Customs Taotai, his assistants and, the Consuls, the money received from the Wharfage dues and expended on the new road was passed and it was agreed that the collection of Wharfage dues remain as last year and that the amount voted for the new road be continued, not to exceed Tls. 14,3?5 per 2 chang; this is to be approved of by the Ministers at Peking; this was carried and all present signed.

A good deal of grumbling arose because last year the Customs offered to collect Wharfage dues free of any charges, yet for the year ended 31st Dec., the Customs circular showed expenses of collection Tls. 677 8m. 8c. 7 cash.

H.E. Li Hung-chang will leave on 14th April per steamer *Hacan*, that is, if he does not change his mind, and decide to leave on the 29th, the day when the Viceroy takes over charge.

26th March.

On the evening of the 24th the Annamese envoy had an interview with their Excellencies Li and Chang, the result of which is not known as yet.

To-day a circular was sent as follows:—

Tientsin, 26th March, 1883.

Rates of freight by steamers of the undermentioned will until further notice be the same as those jointly circulated at the commencement of the season with the exception of the tariff on Treasure, which without insurance has been fixed at 2½ per mille (which is still ¼ per cent.

Signed { W. GUBBINS, C. M. S. N. Co., W. FORBES.

It is said that the arrangement that is, no matter which company's steamer receives or carries the freight, it is to be divided between them as follows: 40 per cent to the China Merchants' S. N. Co; 30 per cent Jardine, Matheson & Co.; 30 per cent Butterfield and Swire; at the tariff rate of freight they throw in a sprat, namely ½ per cent of Insurance included in the amount of freight; so secure the insurance to themselves and deprive other insurance offices of it.

Was all this known last autumn to Li Hung-chang when he memorialized the Emperor and protested against the opposition Chinese Steam Navigation Co., under the patronage of Tso and Hoo Sing-an, being started for ten years hence, so as to enable the present China Merchants' Co. to make good their losses and facilitate the formation of the new combination?—*Mercury* Correspondent.

SAD OCCURRENCE AT YOKOHAMA.

At half-past two o'clock on the morning of the 14th ult. the premises, No. 52, Yokohama, occupied by Mr. E. Jacot, watchmaker and jeweller, were discovered to be on fire. As usual the Fire Brigade Engines were quickly in attendance, and by dint of great energy and tact the flames were ultimately subdued, and the adjoining buildings saved. The proprietor seems to have had a very narrow escape with his life. It appears that he retired to rest at midnight, and the first intimation he had of the danger by which he was surrounded was the noise of the glass panes being broken in his offices. A few seconds after cries of fire reached his ears. Quickly he arose, and opened his door. To his dismay he found the fire below him had communicated with the staircase by which he would have to descend. One exit only from the burning building was possible, and as the fire was already so close to him as to singe his hair, it did not take him long to make up his mind. Drawing his bedstead to the window, he knotted a sheet round the leg of it, and lowered himself to the ground, but before he reached *terra firma* his feet came into contact with a piece of zinc protruding from the building. Underneath the fire was raging, and consequently the moment his feet alighted on this, they were badly burnt. Upon examination of the office where the fire is supposed to have originated, a large hole was discovered to have been made in the fire-proof vault. This, evidently, was for purposes of plunder, but how much property has been taken has not yet been ascertained. After accomplishing their object, they set fire to the house, and then decamped. The whole of the furniture was destroyed, and the house completely gutted. We believe that the building is insured in the Sun Fire Office. The stock, to the value of $29,000, in the Hongkong, and Queen Fire Insurance Cos., and the furniture in the Commercial Union Assurance Co.—*Japan Herald.*

A survey of the premises, says the *Gazette*, by experts and representatives of the insurance companies concerned, leaves no doubt that the fire was the work of an incendiary. A hole was discovered in the roof of the brick vault which contained the valuable stock of jewellery, and on the door of the vault being removed it was found that several watches and other articles had been stolen. A quantity of straw was also found inside the vault and on the office floor. During the early part of the evening Mr. Jacot was absent, so the probability is that this was the time the thief did his work at the vault, setting fire to the premises after Mr. Jacot had retired to rest.

A most melancholy episode in connection with the fire was the disappearance of Mr. Jacot. At an early hour on the 26th ult. Mr. Jacot took a boat and went down the bay ostensibly for Tomioka, but soon afterwards he shot himself. The *sendous* immediately returned, and gave information to the police, who communicated with the Swiss Consul-General. At the inquest, a verdict was returned that deceased had shot himself whilst of unsound mind.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPIUM.

THURSDAY, 5th April.

Sales of Patna and New Benares at $575 to $577½, and of Old Benares at $557½.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—

Bank Bills, on demand	3/7¼
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/7¾
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/8
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3/8¼
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/8¼

ON PARIS.—

Bank Bills, on demand	4.60
Credits, at 4 months' sight	4.67

ON BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

ON SHANGHAI.—

Bank, sight	72½
Private, 30 days' sight	73½

SHARES.

A fair lot of Docks have been placed to-day at 60 per cent. for cash, closing with buyers at this rate. Sugars have been placed at $205 for cash and $206 for the end of the month, Hongkong Fires at $1,410 and $1,425 for cash, Chinas at $365 Yangtszes at Tls. 1,050 and Traders at $2,900. Chinese Insurances have found buyers at $208 for cash. Banks close firm at 19½ per cent. premium for cash.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—New Issue 153 per cent. premium.

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Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$750 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$2,900 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 1,900 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 1,100 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$208 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$135 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$1,425 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$365 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—60 per cent. premium.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$36 premium.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—par.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited, —20 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$82 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$165 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$205 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$106 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$165 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$85 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—2 per cent. prem.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2½ per cent. prem.

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

6TH TO 12TH APRIL, 1883.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water. Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
F.	6	m 8 12	3 3	m 2 1	—0 6
		21 a	4 4	1 58 a	—1 5
Sat.	7	m 8 41	3 9	m 2 36	—0 6
		9 13 a	4 3	2 46 a	—0 11
S.	8	m 9 13	4 3	m 3 10	—0 4
		10 0 a	3 11	3 36 a	—1 3
M.	9	m 9 43	4 7	m 3 44	—0 1
		10 41 a	3 6	4 25 a	—1 5
Tu.	10	m 10 24	4 10	m 4 19	0 3
		11 42 a	2 11	5 17 a	—1 5
W.	11	m 11 8	4 10	m 4 54	—0 7
				6 14 a	—1 3
Th.	12	m 0 43	2 6	m 5 30	0 11
		m 11 42	4 9	7 12 a	—0 11

The height of mean sea-level has been determined at 7.595 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard; and the Low-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 5.595 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus (—) sign are below Low-Water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constants given above.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)
April 5th.

Barometer—9 A.M.	29.910
Barometer—1 P.M.	29.854
Barometer—4 P.M.	29.824
Thermometer—9 A.M.	73
Thermometer—1 P.M.	76
Thermometer—4 P.M.	76
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	72
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—Maximum	70
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	69

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

April 6th.

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.	HONGKONG. Previous day at 4 P.M.	HONGKONG. On date at 10 A.M.	AMOY. Previous day at 4 P.M.	AMOY. On date at 10 A.M.	SHANGHAI. Previous day at 4 P.M.	SHANGHAI. On date at 10 A.M.	MANILA. On date at 10 A.M.	MANILA. On date at 4 P.M.
Barometer	29.85	29.86	29.60	29.72	29.93	29.68	30.04	29.92
Thermometer attached	75.0	75.0	77.0	68.0	55.5	56.0	82.0	87.9
Direction of Wind	SE	S	S	S	ESE	E	NW	SW
Force	5	5	2	1	5	3	2	1
Dry Thermometer	73.0	73.5	77.0	68.0	55.0	54.5	80.0	91.8
Wet Thermometer	70.0	72.0	64.0	65.0	52.0	54.0	73.5	78.2
Weather	o.c.b.	o.c.r.	o.c.	o.o.	o.r.	o.d.	b.	b.
Hour's Rain	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quantity fallen	—	0.15	—	—	—	0.82	—	—

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens, and hundreds.
THERMOMETER, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation.
DIRECTION OF WIND is registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., &c.
FORCE OF WIND.—0 calm. 1 to 3 light breeze. 3 to 6 moderate. 5 to 7 fresh. 7 to 8 strong. 8 to 10 heavy. 10 to 12 violent.
STATE OF WEATHER.—B. Clear blue sky. C. Cloudy. D. Drizzly. F. Fog. G. Foggy. H. Hail. L. Lightning. M. Misty. O. Overcast. P. Passing showers. Q. Squally. R. Rainy. S. Snow. T. Thunder. U. Bad, threatening. V. Visibility. W. Storm. Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification.
RAIN.—The hours of rain for the previous 24 hours (mon are registered from 1 to 24, and the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches, tens and hundreds.

FOR SALE.

JUST LANDED AND FOR SALE.

EX "ESMERALDA."

HIGH STANDARD SUGAR, Manufactured by the LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, at MANILA; in Quantities to suit Purchasers. This Sugar can be specially recommended for family use, as it is made without the use of animal charcoal or sulphuric acid.

Fresh supplies will be received from Manila every fortnight.

TAI YUNE,
Compradore, Central Market.
Hongkong, 18th November, 1882. [40

FOR SALE.

WACHTER'S ROYAL CHARTER CHAMPAGNE,
Purveyors to Her Majesty the Queen and to H. R. Highness the Prince of Wales by Special Appointment under a Warrant dated 7th March, 1881.
1 Dozen Quarts ....$32.50.
2 Dozen Pints ....$23.50.
Apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 28th August, 1882. [425

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874
HEIDSIECK & CO.'S
MONOPOLE.
DEETJEN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1881. [1261

FOR SALE, CHEAP.

A GUNBOAT'S BATTERY of 3 30-POUNDERS DAHLGREN'S STEEL RIFLED GUNS (of very long range); and 2 24-POUNDERS BRONZE HOWITZERS, all on carriages, with a quantity of Shot, Shell and Grape Shot. A Powerful STEAM LAUNDRY as good as new with about 5 tons of BAR SOAP; 3 New Gunboat's BOILERS, 20 H.P. each, tested to 180 lbs. to the square inch; 7 VERTICAL BOILERS, from 5 to 12 H.P.; 7 ENGINES, from 5 to 12 H.P.; 1 new CENTRIFUGAL PUMP, discharges 5,000 gallons of water per minute; 1 PORTABLE JIB CRANE 450 fathoms CHAIN CABLE, from ¾ to 2 inches, and a 5-Oared LIFE BOAT WHALER, by White of Cowes, as good as new.
For Particulars, apply to
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer, Queen's Road.
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FOR SALE.

BISQUIT DUBOUCHE & Co.'s COGNAC
* ** *** **** BRANDY.

JULES ROBIN & Co.'s COGNAC
O. P. BRANDY.

A. LALANDE & Co.'s BORDEAUX
CELEBRATED CLARETS.

JAMES WATSON & Co., DUNDEE,
GLENLIVAT & LOCHABER
SCOTCH WHISKEY.

Apply to
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1883. [334

TO be disposed of.—A FIRST CLASS MILLINERY, DRAPERY AND OUTFITTING ESTABLISHMENT in China. Established for upwards of 20 years.
Address A. B., Office of this paper.
Hongkong, 12th January, 1883. [185

FOR SALE.

THE GOODWILL AND STOCK-IN-TRADE of the WATCHMAKING and JEWELLERY BUSINESS of the late JOHN NOBLE.
For Terms and other Particulars, apply to
JOHN S. COX.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1883. [262

FOR SALE.

CHAS. HEIDSIECK'S CHAMPAGNE 1874, "WEISSLACK."
$20 .... per case of 2 dozen pints.
$19 .... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
GRAND VIN CHATEAU LEOVILLE.
$24 .... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
PALMER MARGAUX.
$7.50 .... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
$8.50 .... per case of 2 dozen pints.
CHATEAU LAROSE.
$12 .... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
LORMONT.
$5 .... per case of 1 dozen quarts.
$6 .... per case of 2 dozen pints.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1881. [20

"LEONHARDI QUELLE."

NATURAL GERMAN SELTZER WATER.
Bottled at the Seltzer-Spring near Gross Karben, in Cases of 8 Dozen Pints, $8.50 per Case.
PUSTAU & Co.—Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1883. [237

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.
DAVID CORSAR & SONS'
Merchant Navy
Navy Boiled
Long Flax
Crown
} CANVAS.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1867. [21

INSURANCES.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY, £1,000,000 Sterling.
OF WHICH IS PAID-UP... £100,000 Sterling.
RESERVE FUND UPWARDS OF .... } £120,000 Sterling.
ANNUAL INCOME .... £250,000 Sterling.

The Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at HONGKONG, CANTON, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, and HANKOW, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 15th October, 1868. [12

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at the following Rates:—
On First-class European Tenements .... at ½ °/ₒ Net per Annum.
On First-class Godowns, & Merchandise stored therein .... at ½ °/ₒ Net per Annum.
On Coals .... at 1 °/ₒ Net per Annum.
On Petroleum in licensed Godowns .... at 1½ °/ₒ Net per Annum.
On First-class Chinese Tenements .... at 2 °/ₒ Net per Annum.
On Second-class Chinese Tenements .... at 2½ °/ₒ Net per Annum.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents for Phœnix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 5th August, 1881. [17

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,
IS prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at ⅓ °/ₒ nett per Annum, and other INSURANCES at Current Rates.
AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and the Philippines.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. [680

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to issue Policies of Insurance against Fire on the usual terms.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January 1882. [913

THE CHINA MERCHANTS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL (FULLY SUBSCRIBED) Tls. 1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
TONG KING SING, Esq., Chairman.
CHU YU CHEE, Esq. | CHANG SU HO, Esq.
CHING TO CHAI, Esq. | YIP YU TIN, Esq.
and ten others.
HO SHEN CHEE, Esq., Secretary.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.
Usual returns of Premia are made to all Contributors of Business whether Shareholders or not.
HO SHEN CHEE,
Secretary.
Head Office, Hankow Road,
Shanghai, 1st June, 1882. [1092

SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

FIRE AND LIFE.

INSURANCES against FIRE granted at Current Rates. Considerable Reduction in Premia for LIFE INSURANCE in China.
MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1879. [1046

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [14

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS on FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS at ½ per Cent. Nett premium per Annum.
NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. [2

UNIVERSAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.
ESTABLISHED 1834.

INSURANCES Effected for Life or Short Periods; on Joint Lives; and on the limited payment system.
For Particulars, apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th December, 1882. [16

THAMES AND MERSEY MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—1, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, LONDON.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual discounts.
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 4th May, 1881. [847

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD of UNDERWRITERS.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1879.

RECORD of AMERICAN and FOREIGN SHIPPING.
Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1879. [1680

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL (FULLY SUBSCRIBED), $1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEUNG ON, Esq., President.
BAN HUP, Esq. | YOW CHONG PENG, Esq.
CHAN LI CHOY, Esq. | Q. HOI CHUNE, Esq.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its Agencies.
Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are Shareholders or not.
WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [527

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST,
A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
MARINE DEPARTMENT.
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, at reduced rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 26th July, 1872. [13

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, HAVRE, &c.	Merionethshire (str.)	Read		Adamson, Bell & Co.	On or about 6th April
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	Hector (str.)	Billinge		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 12th inst.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL	Diomed (str.)	Jackson		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 8th April
LONDON, &c., via SUEZ CANAL	Ancona (str.)	E. G. Stead		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, via SUEZ, &c.	Sindh (str.)	Lequerré		Messageries Maritimes	On 10th April, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, via SAIGON, &c.	Golconde (str.)	Andrae		Adamson, Bell & Co.	On or about 18th April
HAMBURG	Kjobenhavn	N. Maglebye		Pustau & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Mary Whitridge	Freeman	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	C. B. Hazeltine	Gilkey	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
BOMBAY, via STRAITS	Lombardy (str)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO	Wandering Jew	Talpey	Hongkong	Russell & Co	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO, via Y'HAMA	City of Tokio (str.)			P. M. S. S. Co.	On 13th inst., at 3 P.M.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	Euxine (str.)	J. B. Peters		Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA, B. C.	P. Nordenskjold	Jensen	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA	Menzaleh (str.)	Homery		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA, via NAGASAKI, &c.	Sumatra (str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO	Cassandra (str.)	Wagner	Hongkong	Siemssen & Co	On or about 9th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE, &c.	Sumida-Maru (str.)	Hubenet		M. B. M. S. S. Co.	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Ava (str.)	Bretol		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Monoleus (str.)	Lapage		Butterfield & Swire	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Golconde (str.)	Andrae		Adamson, Bell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Pesang (str.)	Irvine	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Patroclus (str.)	Riley		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 12th inst.
SHANGHAI	Brindisi (str.)			P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI via AMOY	Antenor (str.)	Bragg		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 9th inst.
MANILA	Emuy (str.)	Rementeria		Remedios & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MANILA via AMOY	Lido (str.)	Lewis		Russell & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY, & F'CHOW.	Namoa (str.)	Westoby	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 8th inst., Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY, &c.	China (str.)	H. Scheer	Hongkong	Yuen Fat Hong	To-morrow, Daylight.
SWATOW	Thales (str.)	Pocock	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 9th inst., at Noon.

INSURANCES.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The Undersigned, as Agents for the above Company, are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES upon FIRST-CLASS RISKS to the extent of £15,000, at the Reduced Tariff Rates.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 11th May, 1881. [16

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE at the Reduced Tariff Rates to the extent of $50,000 on First-class Risks.
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Agents,
Sun Fire Office.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1881. [15

FORTUNA ALLGEMEINE VERSICHERUNGS-ACTIEN-GESELLSCHAFT, BERLIN.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ....Mk. 1,500,000.
RESERVE FUNDS ....Mk. 780,000.
ANNUAL INCOME ....18,774.°/ₒ

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [1824

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [18

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1883. [664

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Captain Lapage, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at FOUR P.M.
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [625

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Spanish Steamer
"EMUY,"
Captain Rementaria, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at FOUR P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1883. [666

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA VIA AMOY.
THE Steamship
"LIDO,"
Captain Lewis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at FIVE P.M.
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RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [676

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.
THE Steamship
"NAMOA,"
Captain Westoby, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th instant, at DAYLIGHT.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [672

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"LOMBARDY,"
will leave for the above place at FOUR P.M., on TUESDAY, the 10th April.
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [657

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW, and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)
THE Company's Steamship
"PATROCLUS,"
Captain Riley, will be despatched on or about the 12th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [678

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI,
WITH OPTION OF CALLING AT HIOGO,
(Passing through the INLAND SEA).
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"SUMATRA,"
will leave for the above place on FRIDAY, the 13th April, at 12 (NOON) O'CLOCK.
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship
"DIOMED,"
Captain Jackson, will be despatched on or about the 8th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [502

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"BRINDISI,"
will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English mail.
A. McIVER,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship
"HECTOR,"
Captain Billinge, will be despatched on or about the 12th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [588

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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"ANTENOR,"
Captain Bragg, will be despatched on or about the 9th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [658

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for NEW YORK.)
THE Steamship
"MERIONETHSHIRE,"
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For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [239

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.
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FOR SHANGHAI.
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ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [655

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
THE Company's Steamship
"AVA,"
Commandant Bretol, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
THE Company's Steamship
"MENZALEH,"
Commandant Homery, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

FOR HAMBURG, DIRECT.
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"KJOBENHAVN,"
N. Maglebye, Master, shortly expected here will load as above and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [671

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.
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THE Splendid New 100 A 1 Steamship
"GOLCONDE,"
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Agents.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1883. [483

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
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"WANDERING JEW,"
Talpey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1883. [543

FOR NEW YORK.
THE American Ship
"MARY WHITRIDGE,"
Freeman, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1883. [544

FOR NEW YORK.
THE American Bark
"C. B. HAZELTINE,"
Gilkey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
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RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1883. [513

FOR VICTORIA, B. C.
THE 3/3 L. I. I. Norwegian Barkentine
"PROFESSOR NORDENSKJOLD,"
Jensen, Master, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1883. [411

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
THE 3/3 L I I American Ship
"B. P. CHENEY,"
Humphreys, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1883. [395

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA;
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ON TUESDAY, the 10th day of April, 1883, at NOON, the Company's Steamship "SINDH," Commandant Lequerré, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted until NOON of 9th April, 1883.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 9th April, 1883. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1883

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF TOKIO," will be despatched for San Francisco, viâ Yokohama and Honolulu, on FRIDAY, the 13th April, 1883, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.
Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, viâ Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.
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RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 °/ₒ from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 °/ₒ will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 °/ₒ from Return Fare. *These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*
Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 12th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.
F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE, VIA INLAND SEA.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKOHAMA).

THE "SUMIDA-MARU," Captain HUBENET, due here on or about the 8th inst., will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, at FOUR P.M.
Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to ONE P.M., of the day of Sailing.
No Bill of Lading signed under $2 Freight.
All Claims for Damage must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.
Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.
For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs. Russell & Co.
H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
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N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "ANCONA," Captain E. G. Stead, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, viâ BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL on TUESDAY, the 17th April, at FOUR P.M.
Cargo will be received on board and Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until TEN A.M., on the day of sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed viâ Bombay, without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route viâ Colombo.
For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.
The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.
CHEAP RESERVED ACCOMMODATION can be obtained in this Company's Steamers; for particulars apply at the Office.
A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

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YOKOHAMA.

HAVING been appointed AGENT in HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary," and "Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Advertisements will be received at this Office.
Hongkong Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1877.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
The M. M. steamer *Ava*, with the next French mail, left Saigon at noon, on the 5th, and is due here on the 9th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic*, with the next American mail, will leave Yokohama on the 8th, and is due here on or about the 13th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.
The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Menmuir* left Port Darwin on the 27th March, and is due here on or about the 6th April.
The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Antenor* left Singapore on the afternoon of the 31st March, and is due here on the 8th April.
The steamship *Glenfruin*, from London, left Singapore on 3rd and may be looked for here on or about the 9th instant.
The N. I. steamer *Camorta* left Batavia for this port via Saigon on the 1st, and may be expected here on or about the 16th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

☞ The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
For Hoihow and Haifong.—Per *Saltee*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 7.30 A.M.
For Manila.—Per *Francisco Reyes*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 9.30 A.M.
For Saigon.—Per *Rosslyn*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., &c.—Per *Euxine*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy, Tamsui, and Taiwanfoo.—Per *China*, to-day, the 6th inst., at 5.00 P.M.
For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Namoa*, to-morrow, the 7th inst., at 5.00 P.M.
For Saigon.—Per *Catharina II.*, on Sunday, the 8th instant, at 9.00 A.M.
For Swatow.—Per *Thales*, on Monday, the 9th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Lombardy*, on Tuesday, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
For Nagasaki and Kobe.—Per *Sumida Maru*, on Friday, the 13th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet:—
Day of Departure.
NOON.—Money Order Office closes.
2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until
3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until time of departure.

THE FRENCH MAIL.
Day before Departure.
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours.

Day of Departure.
7 A.M., Post Office opens.
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until
11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.
11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
The French Contract Packet "SINDH," will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 10th April, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *via* Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (viâ Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet "CITY OF TOKIO," will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, with Mails for Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
2.15 P.M., Registry ceases.
2.30 P.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The British Contract Packet "ANCONA," will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 17th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australasian Colonies.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MONEY LETTERS.
Public attention is called to the following extract from the Hongkong Postal Guide, Paragraph 60:—
"The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes &c., and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters."

Boxes of letters are sometimes received at the Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the box is fastened with sealing wax, but there is no impression of a seal.
The attention of boxholders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with some recognizable seal, and of sending a chit-book or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former, as to whether part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamps.
No responsibility can be accepted by the Post Office for erroneous replies to verbal enquiries, or to notes addressed to subordinate officers. The shroffs told off to sell stamps should especially not be regarded as able to give correct information. The Postal Guide alone is the standard on all points on which such information may be required.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

Letters, per ½ oz.	10 Cents.
Post Cards, each	3 Cents.
Books, Patterns, and Commercial Papers, per 2 oz.	2 Cents.
Newspapers & Prices Current, each	2 Cents.
Registration	10 Cents.
Do. with return receipt	15 Cents.

Commercial papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge is the same as for Books, but all packets of and under 4 oz. weight are charged 5 Cents.

TEA MUSTERS.
Persons who send Musters of Tea through the Post in Tins are requested to have them made flat or square instead of round, as it is impossible to pack round tins securely in the mail bags. It is believed that the tea will travel more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable as round ones to be bulged in.
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EXTRACTS.

PRIZE THE PASSING DAY.

Stay, sweet Day, for thou art fair,
Fair, and full and calm;
Crowned through all by golden hours,
With Love's brightest, richest flowers,
Strong in Faith's unshaken powers,
Blest in hope's pure balm.

Stay, what chance and change may wait,
As you glide away;
Now is all so glad and bright;
Now we breathe in sure delight;
Now we laugh in Fate's despite;
Stay with us, sweet day.

Ah, she cannot, may not stop;
All things must decay;
Then with heart and head and will,
Take the joy that lingers still,
Prize the pause in wrong and ill,
Prize the passing day.

—*All the Year Round.*

LIFE IN THE FAR WEST.

A constable in Nevada, who is also editor of the *Ruby Hill Mining News*, publishes a farewell address in that paper on resigning his official appointment. It runs as follows: —"We step down and out with a feeling of relief. We are a few grains heavier than when we assumed the responsibilities of keeping the peace of this neighbourhood, having during that time acquired what might be termed lead poisoning. Weyburn's bullet we continually carry in our lung, and it is constant reminder to us that life is uncertain. Since we have been constable of this town our receipts from that office have been 300 dollars less than what it cost us to get partially cured of our bullet wound."

ROUND DANCES, BEER, AND RELIGION.

Disagreeable differences have arisen among the Catholics at Wheeling, West Virginia, on matters relating to round dances and beer. Some little time ago the Diocesan Synod, at a meeting held in the city, passed a statute forbidding round dances and the sale of beer at entertainments given by Catholic societies; and a pastoral letter was issued ordering all Catholic societies to enrol themselves as such and submit their constitution for approval by the 1st of January last—all not doing so to be denied the privileges accorded to regular Catholic societies. This order was not obeyed by a German Catholic society known as the "Knights of St. John," who, moreover, on the night of the 23rd of January gave a ball at which beer was sold and round dancing indulged in: the object being to test this question, which has caused much excitement among the German Catholics. In the meantime, a letter of condemnation from the Bishop of Wheeling against the Knights of St. John was read in all the Catholic churches on the 28th of January ordering all Catholics to withdraw from the society before the 1st of March, under pain of excommunication. This order has had the effect of making the Knights of St. John drink beer and dance "round dances" more furiously than ever; and the German press characterizes the action of the Bishop as an outrage on the freedom of the German members of his Church.—*St. James's Gazette.*

THE COMTE DE CHAMBORD AND THE ORLEANIST PRINCES.

A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* at Paris writes:—"The visit of the Comte de Paris to Frohsdorf in 1873 has been called in and out of the Chamber 'the act of a Pretender.' I have been assured by a French nobleman who was engaged in the 'preliminary negotiations which led to that step that it was, on the contrary, a renunciation of 'all pretensions not arising from descent from the brother of Louis Quatorze.' It appears that the Comte de Chambord intended to reserve the eventual rights of his wife's nephew, Don Carlos, who was then engaged in a civil war in Spain, and who on the death of his uncle-in-law will be, in the order of primogeniture, the head of the house of France, he being descended from Louis Quatorze. If this Pretender had succeeded in obtaining the Spanish Crown, the Comte de Paris would have stood next to the Comte de Chambord. When Carlos was ultimately defeated, and Alphonso restored, the former was hailed in the Faubourg St. Germain as Dauphin. It now appears that, finding him 'impossible,' it has been agreed by the heads of the Legitimist party in France, with the assent of the Comte de Chambord, to put forward Don Jaime, who is a pupil of the Jesuits at Beaumont. The mother of the youthful Prince is now at Cannes, where she has met a number of French Carlists. As to the other conditions imposed on the Comte de Paris, I am, moreover, told, on the authority above mentioned, that they were the visit to Frohsdorf and a little speech which the Orleans Prince was to make on being received by his 'Sovereign and cousin.' The Legitimists perceived that the sons of Louis Philippe took greatly to heart the recovery of their military grades, and of those estates confiscated in 1852 which had not been sold. It was ascertained by the uncles of the Comte de Paris that the unsold residue was valued at 49 millions of francs, or nearly two million sterling. As it was thought by the Legitimists that in urging their claim to this fortune they would render themselves odious to the French nation, they were encouraged to assert it. A pledge was given that if the Comte de Paris visited Frohsdorf and renounced all pretensions to the throne which were not derived from the Regent's father, the Chambordists in the Assembly would help the Princes to obtain the 49 millions of francs, their military and naval grades, and the repeal of the law of proscription. The Comte de Chambord cherished the idea of a Bourbon restoration in France, Spain, and Italy and when it was effected of devoting himself to an old age of pious contemplation, leaving to the Comte de Paris the task of governing in his name. For a whole night he remained in prayer. The next night he received, as he thought, celestial inspiration in a dream. In pursuance with it, he determined to issue a manifesto against the tricolour flag. This move disconcerted the D'Orléans, but did not cause them to alter their strategy. Its only result so far as they were concerned was to delay the visit of the Comte de Paris to Frohsdorf, and to throw the liberal Orleanists over to the side of Thiers. Then came the 24th May. The Legitimists had fulfilled in the Assembly their promises, and called upon the D'Orléans to execute their part of the contract. In September, when the war indemnity had been paid and the Germans had cleared out of the eastern provinces, the Comte de Paris started for Frohsdorf. He did everything that he promised, but, it was there thought, he accentuated over much the obligation under which he and his uncles stood to live on good terms with the Republic, albeit retaining their historical position as members of the Royal House of France. The Comte de Chambord, as he had beforehand resolved, felicitated his visitor on his attitude. So long as the Republic was Republican and orderly, so long as it did not become an instrument of Jacobin tyranny and impiety, the Comte de Chambord would regard neutrality as a duty. When the Duc de Nemours and the Prince de Joinville followed in the wake of the Comte de Paris and visited the King *in partibus* he talked to them in the same strain."

HOW OYSTERS WERE FLAVOURED FOR A ROYAL PALATE.

It is recorded of the first monarch of the House of Hanover that he objected to the English native oyster as being deficient in flavour. It was privately suggested by a shrewd courtier that the native oyster should be allowed to become somewhat stale before being brought to the Royal table. The King at once recognised the flavour which had always pleased him so much at Herrenhausen, and gave orders that in future he should always be supplied from that particular bed. —*Good Words.*

A LIVELY OLD MOUSE.

In these days of widespread culture it is scarcely surprising to find that even the backwoodsman, living far away from the haunts of civilization, is ready to devote some of his sparse leisure to the investigation of problems in natural history. This particular backwoodsman is an American. The account is taken from his "notes." In the "fall" of '79, while digging in a bank, he unearthed a mouse, "frozen stiff and apparently dead." The mouse was taken home as a curiosity, and thrown carelessly on the floor. After a little while he began to show signs of returning consciousness, opened his eyes, and began to breathe slowly, "blinking like a veritable Rip Van Winkle," and eventually hopped about "as lively as possible." As the animal had evidently been in a torpid state for some time, the backwoodsman determined to try some experiments. Every two or three nights he put the mouse out of doors. On opening the cage in the morning it would be "as hard as a butternut," but, upon thawing, was "as active as ever." One night the unfortunate mouse was thrust out of doors, the thermometer registering 30 deg. below zero; but even this did not kill him. Eight times was he subjected to this freezing process; each time he came round. When spring came, the mouse lost his appetite and died an apparently natural death. The body of this remarkable animal was $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches long; he could easily clear 4 or 5 feet at a hop. "Many insects freeze up in the winter and thaw out in the spring," adds the naturalist; "but I was not aware that a mouse did it. That seems to be the fact."

THE SPOOPENDYKES AND MR. BEECHER.

"I see that Mr. Beecher has abandoned the ministry and quit religion altogether," observed Mrs. Spoopendyke, holding up the pattern of a polonaise, and wondering if it would come up high enough in the neck. "I suppose the poor man will have to speculate in stocks or write jokes for the Christy Minstrels to make a living now, won't he?" "Who's been lending you a circus poster this trip?" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke, spriging up like a trunk lid. "What patent medicine label have you been studying lately? Who says he's quit the ministry? He's only left the Society of Congregational Ministers because he doesn't believe exactly as they." "That's what I said," argued Mrs. Spoopendyke, laying the pattern on the cloth, and beginning to cut it out. "He disagreed with the Congregational, and said he guessed he would go away somewhere and let'em have it to themselves. I don't know what Plymouth Church will do without him, though——" "Do!" ripped Mr. Spoopendyke, "do! it will set a rat-trap and catch him again! What d'ye s'pose it will do? Got some idea it will hire out as a cook, washer and ironer? No objection to going a short distance in the country, haven't ye? P'raps you think it will open as a hotel? Well, it won't, and it won't put on a long shirt and a short apron and go howling around as a two-legged lunatic, either! Don't I tell ye he has only just quit the society of ministers?" "I didn't suppose they'd hurt him," said Mrs. Spoopendyke, scratching her nose with the scissors and figuring out the allowance for the same. "Hurt him?" roared Mr. Spoopendyke," of course they hurt him! They used to lay him down and walk on him, and they'd set astride his stomach and play euchre on his chin, till he swallowed the joker, and they fish for it with umbrellas until they choked him. Don't ye know the difference between a society of ministers and a religion? He's quit the ministers and not the church. Got a tooth you can stow that idea in?" "Well, of course, the man had a right to pick his associates, but I understand you to say that he didn't agree with their religion. If that's the case they ought to alter it, because a man like Mr. Beecher——" "Alter it!" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke. "How are they going to alter it?" Think they can put another flounce around the bottom and a patch on the elbows, like a frock? Imagine they can make it straight up and down, or a bell-crown, by ironing it out like a stovepipe hat? It's the tenet of the church, the basis of the faith, that he dissents from, and as they won't change that he goes out. Does a streak of intelligence begin to dawn on you now? Think you feel an idea wopping around in your back hair?" "I see," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke; "he just abandons religion and ministers, but he sticks to the church. I understand it now." "Oh, you understand it?" howled Mr. Spoopendye. "You've got your claws in it at last! All you want now is a row among the faculty and a gymnasium to be a theological seminary. He hasn't abandoned religion. He's only announced he don't believe certain parts of the Congregational faith. Think your mind is long and thin enough to penetrate that?" "Certainly," returned Mrs. Spoopendyke, "that's plain enough. He didn't like something they did, so he concluded to leave those ministers to their own devices. But what is he going to do for a faith to keep Plymouth Church going?" "Buy one?" snorted Mr. Spoopendyke. "He's going to get measured for one and have it sent home, if the tailor don't disappoint him. Perhaps you think he's going to sit out in the back yard and pop over the first faith he sees running along by second-hand faith chap somewhere, have the bottom soldered up, a new spout set in, and palm it off on his congregation for new. I tell you he sticks to the old faith with the exception of the atonement and hell! Ever read about the atonement? Got any kind of notion about hell?" "Of course I have," replied Mrs. Spoopendyke. "I begin to see the drift now. The ministers wanted the atonement—and—the other thing, and he gave it to them, and he is going to substitute Plymouth Church for these things, and let the ministers look after themselves. Now it's clear in me." "Oh, you've got it?" yelled Mr. Spoopendyke. "There's the whole Christian religion in a tea cup. If you only had red cushions and a rack nailed up in front of you, you'd only need an overdue mortgage and a fight in the choir to be a fashionable church! Let it alone, will you? Drop the subject before that wonderful intelligence of yours drowns me out. Another time you want to talk religion I'll get a measly then to listen to you!" And Mr. Spoopendyke plunged his head among the pillows and brooded over his wrongs. "I don't care," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke, basting the lining into the front of the dress. "Mr. Beecher may not like those poor ministers or their religion, but that's no reason why he should leave them. He ought to show them the sinfulness of their ways, and get them to abandon their hold on the bad place. Anyway, I'm glad he's going to keep up preaching, for the poor man has got a family on his hands, and I think I'll go on Sunday and hear his explanation, if I can get this dress done.—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

FEMALE WRESTLERS ON THE STAGE.

Female wrestlers are the latest and least commendable novelty of the Parisian stage. The troupe, consisting of four lady athletes, wearing very neat costumes, appear at the Follies Bergère, where they contend together every evening for prizes offered by the management. The Paris papers state that occasionally ambitious amateurs enter the lists with these professionals, and are not always defeated.

A MAP MAKER.

"That fellow had a monstrous foot, the biggest I ever saw." "How large?" asked the General, "Give us some idea of its size?" "I don't know that I can, but I tell you what's a fact. His foot was so big that —well, you have heard the old story of the fellow who used the forks of the road for a boot jack?" "Yes." "Well, Nick tried it and split the road so far that the geography of the neighbourhood was changed."—*Arkansas Traveller.*

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Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$35.00 to 43.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.90 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.50 to 4.70
Mushrooms, per picul	$38.00 to 46.50
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$8.05 to 9.10
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$7.25 to 7.45
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$6.15 to 6.35
Pea Oil, per picul	Tls. 5.2.5 to 5.3.0
Peas, White, per picul	$2.05 to 2.10
Peas, Green, per picul	$1.98 to 2.08
Peas, Black, per picul	$1.53 to 1.55
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$1.84 to 1.87
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$1.81 to 1.83
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.50 to 7.80
Potatoe Flour, per piculs	Tls. 4.6.0 to 1.65
Putchuck, per picul	$13.00 to 14.70
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	$2,600 to 3,000
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$2,000 to 2,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$1.95 to 1.96
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$1.82 to 1.83
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$1.82 to 1.83
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$1.67 to 1.68
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$1.87 to 1.90
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$1.75 to 1.76
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$1.71 to 1.72
Rice, Japan	$2.10 to 2.70
Saltpetre, per picul	$5.95 to 6.25
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$1.95 to 2.10
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$2.35 to 2.40
Sesamum, White, per picul	$3.3[illegible] to 3.95
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.4.5 to 2.5.5
Sharksfins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 30.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 12.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.50
Straits Produce, &c.,—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.15 to 4.25
Pepper, White, per picul	$21.70 to 22.00
Pepper, Black, per picul	$13.50 to 13.90
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.30 to 5.50
Rattans, Banjar, per picul	$4.35 to 4.65
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$4.30 to 4.85
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$21.50 to 22.55
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.65
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$7.50 to 8.05
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$6.75 to 6.95
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$4.25 to 4.30
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$9.90 to 9.95
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$9.65 to 9.70
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$6.75 to 7.85
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.50 to 7.70
Walnuts, per picul	$5.25 to 5.30
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$2.15 to 2.18
Wheat, Japan, per picul	$2.15 to 2.13
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.3.0 to 6.3.5
Window Glass, per box	$3.65 to 3.7

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Activ	April 3	Revebeck	Dan. str	268	C. M. S. N. Co.	
Æolus	April 1	Alduva	Span. str	323	Dunn, Melbey & Co	
Brutus	April 5	Voege	Ger. str	460	Wieler & Co	
Cassandra	Mar. 26	T. Wagner	Ger. str	1097	Geo. R. Stevens & Co	Hiogo
Catharina II.	April 2	Gollert	Rus. str	810	Sosy Shing	
China	April 4	Schoer	Ger. str	648	Yuen Fat Hong	Taiwanfoo
City of Tokio	Mar. 30	J. Maury	Amr. str	3128	P. M. S. S. Co	S. Francisco
Emuy	April 5	Rementeria	Span. str	232	Remedios & Co	
Esmeralda	Mar. 24	G. Wright	Brit. str	395	Russell & Co	
Euxine	Mar. 30	Peters	Brit. str	977	Geo. R. Stevens & Co	Melbourne
Fame	—	Stopani	Brit. str	117	H. & W. Dock Co.	
F'cisco Reyes	Mar. 24	Gardoqui	Span. str	517	Remedios & Co	Manila
Golconde	April 4	Andrae	Fren. str	4000	Adamson, Bell & Co	Shanghai
Hankow	—	J. Ogston	Brit. str	2235	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Honam	—	T. T. Senning	Brit. str	1344	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Japan	Mar. 30	F. F. Flack	Brit. str	1065	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	
Jeddah	April 3	Cholk	Brit. str	993	Ghee Cheong	
Kin Kiang	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Kiungchow	—	S. W. Goggin	Brit. str	288	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Lennox	Mar. 29	Scott	Brit. str	1327	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Lido	April 5	Lewis	Brit. str	620	Russell & Co	
Lombardy	April 1	W. E. Breeze	Brit. str	1570	P. & O. S. N. Co	Bombay
Menelaus	April 4	W. P. Lapage	Brit. str	1518	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai
Minard Castle	April 3	R. Skinner	Brit. str	1596	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Namoa	April 4	G. Westoby	Brit. str	862	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Coast Ports
Posang	Mar. 31	Irvine	Brit. str	983	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Shanghai
Powan	—	J. P. Hoyland	Brit. str	1842	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
R'nattianuhar	April 4	Hunter	Brit. str	793	Yuen Fat Hong	
Rossyln	April 3	McKechnie	Brit. str	2000	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Saltee	April 4	Biard	Fren. str	323	Shing Loong	
Spark	—		Brit. str	86	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Laid up
Sumatra	April 1	Fairtlough	Brit. str	1408	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Thales	April 5	T. G. Pocock	Brit. str	820	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow
Whampoa	Mar. 29	Williams	Brit. str	1750	Butterfield & Swire	
White Cloud			Brit. str	652	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Yottung	June 23	H. Kennett	Brit. str	286	Kwok Acheong & Sons	

SAILING VESSELS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Alden Besse	Dec. 22	A. Noyes	Amr. bk	842	Melchers & Co	
C. B. Hazeltine	Feb. 4	W. Gilkey	Amr. bk	830	Russell & Co	New York
Chandernagor	Feb. 6	Mercier	Lbr. bk	632	Carlowitz & Co	
Carnatic	Mar. 27	McPhail	Brit. bk	871	Order	
Coloma	Jan. 5	Noyes	Amr. bk	850	Melchers & Co	
Cyprus	Jan. 11	Johnson	Brit. sh	1392	Captain	
Edderside	Mar. 29	Chas. Lane	Brit. sh	1306	Borneo Co., Limited	
Ellen	April 4	C. Hodge	Brit. bk	499	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Ernst	Mar. 25	Pundh	Ger. bk	634	J. R. Lammert	
Guardian	Feb. 2	Fletcher	Amr. sh	1124	Captain	
Harvard	Mar. 29	Samuel Pray	Amr. bk	1033	Captain	
Hecht	Mar. 24	Ploetz	Ger. sch	358	Siemssen & Co	
J'athan Bourne	Mar. 10	Doane	Amr. bk	1472	Russell & Co	
John Worster	Feb. 11	Houghton	Amr. bk	612	Russell & Co	
Louisa	Jan. 2	Schierlach	Ger. sch	245	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Lucia	Mar. 5	C. Crowly	Brit. bk	639	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Mercury	Mar. 4	Panno	Amr. sh	1156	Chinese	
M. Whitridge	Feb. 2	Geo. Freeman	Amr. sh	862	Russell & Co	New York
N. Thayer	April 1	Crosby	Amr. bk	585	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Papa	Mar. 5	Bannem	Ger. bk	748	Siemssen & Co	
Penobscot	Mar. 29	Eaton	Amr. bk	1133	Order	
Phonix	Mar. 25	Diowitz	Ger. bk	683	Melchers & Co	
P. N. Blanchard	Mar. 6	F. L. Oulres	Amr. sh	1686	Order	
P. Nordenskjold	Feb. 5	E. Jensen	Nor. sch	453	Russell & Co	Victoria, B.C.
Priscilla	Mar. 25	Young	Brit. bk	767	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Ramier	April 2	P. Savary	Fren. bg	280	Carlowitz & Co	
Schwan	Mar. 25	Schroder	Ger. bg	276	Siemssen & Co	
Sir. W. Wallace	Feb. 24	T. R. Brown	Brit. bk	968	Captain	
Sophocles	Feb. 4	Alex. Smith	Brit. sh	1190	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Wagrien	Mar. 21	Dibbern	Ger. sch	179	Wieler & Co	
Wandering Jew	Feb. 26	H. Talpay	Amr. sh	1668	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Weser	Jan. 11	Hellmers	Ger. bk	916	Order	
W. H. Besse	Mar. 7	B. C. Baker	Amr. bk	1027	Order	
Wm. Manson	April 1	H. Kindred	Brit. bk	366	Russell & Co	

MACAO.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Yot-sai	—	Lefavour	Brit. str	115	H., C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton

CANTON.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Amoy	April 4	Herrmann	Brit. str	814	Siemssen & Co	
P'sident Simson	Mar. 28	G. S. Carlett	Brit. bk	1235	Jardine, Matheson & Co	

SWATOW.

SAILING VESSELS.

IN PORT ON 8TH MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Argos	Jan. 1	—	Brit. bk	298	—	
Annie	Mar. 6	—	Ger bk	424	—	
Frohlich	Mar. 5	—	Ger. bg	360	—	
Omega	Feb. 28	Brown	Brit. bk	482	—	
Rosebud	Feb. 4	—	Brit. sch	340	—	Newchwang
Taiwatt	Jan. 20	—	Siam. bk	654	—	

AMOY.

IN PORT ON 31ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Albatros	Mar. 22	Brannsa	Ger. sch	216	Pasedag & Co	
Anna	Mar. 27	Meinschein	Ger. bk	493	Pasedag & Co	
Assens	Mar. 15	Vandel	Dan. bk	255	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Bride	Mar. 25	Sutherland	Brit. bk	300	Captain	
Charley	Mar. 23	Danielsen	Brit. bk	359	Pasedag & Co	
Gitanilla	Mar. 12	Taylor	Brit. bk	503	Brown & Co	
Hilda Maria	Mar. 21	Tennis	Ger. bk	275	Pasedag & Co	
Pallas	Mar. 27	Luders	Ger. bk	347	Pasedag & Co	
Velox	Mar. 15	J. Wilkens	Dut. bk	240	H. A. Petersen & Co	

SHANGHAI.

IN PORT ON 31ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Anna Sieben	Mar. 7	Paulsen	Ger. bk	603	Gipperich & Burchardi	
Anglo-Indian	Jan. 31	Graham	Brit. bk	444	Drysdale, Ringer & Co	
Brenda	Mar. 26	Swenson	Brit. bg	290	Mackenzie & Co	
Chingtah	Aug. 10	Taylor	Chi. bk	472	C. M. S. N. Co	
G. H. Wappaus	Mar. 9	Boysen	Ger. bk	538	Meyerink & Co	
H. Upmann	Mar. 11	Weber	Ger. bk	426	Eduard Schellhass & Co	
James S. Stone	Mar. 14	—	Amr. bk	—	Order	
Kolga	Feb. 11	Ketel	Brit. bk	359	Nils Moller	
Kolga	Oct. 25	Lorne Bang	Ger. bk	540	Russell & Co	
K'masaka Maru	Mar. 26	Elles	Jap. bk	416	M. B. Kaeshia	
M. Wenkleman	Mar. 24	Ulberg	Am. sch	505	J. W. Muller & Co	
Pearl	Mar. 7	Howes	Amr. bk	536	Chapman, King & Co	
Rosa Madre	Feb. 22	Ottone	Ital. bk	911	Max. Slevogt	
Stout	Mar. 26	Hennester	Nor. bk	581	Siemssen & Co	
Tyburnia	Feb. 8	Chalmers	Brit. bk	948	W. Hewett & Co	
W. Siegfried	Mar. 5	Hanson	Brit. bk	393	Nils Moller	

NAGASAKI.

IN PORT ON 24TH MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
A'jishima Maru	Mar. 21	Crighton	Jap. sch	660	M. B. M. Co	
Batavia	Mar. 22	Roper	Brit. bk	360	Holme, Ringer & Co	
Channel Queen	Mar. 16	Lacheur	Brit. bk	609	Order	Chefoo
Emma	Mar. 16	Mickelsen	Ger. sch	220	Order	Amoy
Kozaki Maru	—	Christensen	Jap. sh	400	M. B. M. Co	
Queen of India	Mar. 17	Inokey	Brit. bk	389	M. B. M. Co	Shanghai
S'noura Maru	Feb. 25	Spiegelthal	Jap. bk	925	M. B. M. Co	Repairing

YOKOHAMA.

IN PORT ON 22ND MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
A. Cashman	Dec. 7	Sternberg	Rus. sch	50	F. Retz	
Alexander	—	Carlson	Am. sch	50	H. Cook	
Alma	Nov. 18	Tibbey	Am. sch	52	J. D. Carroll & Co	
Anna Bertha	Mar. 17	H. Krause	Ger. bk	368	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Black Diamond	Oct. 2	Boyd	Ger. bk	670	P. Bohm	
Chocorna	Mar. 12	E. A. Locke	Amr. sh	1683	C. Illies & Co	
Diana	Oct. 31	Peterson	Am. sch	64	Captain	
Eliza	—	Abbott	Am. sch	113	D. Carroll & Co	
E. v. Beaulieu	Nov. 20	Oetting	Ger. bk	336	Grosser & Co	
F'oes & Amanda	Mar. 7	Borgward	Ger. bk	370	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Helena	Nov. 1	Bischof	Am. sch	40	M. Ginsbuy	
Lizzie	Feb. 5	Abbott	Am. sch	60	D. Carroll & Co	
M. C. Bohm	—	—	Ger. sch	56	P. Bohm	
Otome	Oct. 31	Hardy	Am. sch	30	Owston, Snow & Co	
Otsego	Oct. 13	E. Pierce	Am. sch	36	Captain	
Otter	—	Littlejohn	Am. sch	56	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Rose	Dec. 7	Wilson	Am. sch	40	W. Copeland	
Sophie	Oct. 29	L'ascheffsky	Rus. bg	330	North Pacific Co	
Stella	—	Issaes	Rus. sch	40	F. Retz	
Tsernogora	Mar. 18	Cann	Brit. sh	1252	Cornes & Co	
Two Brothers	—	Hayden	Amr. sh	1382	Alexander Center	
Vigilant	Feb. 22	Gould	Amr. sh	1800	Frazar & Co	
Zephyr	Oct. 16	Ewart	Brit. sch	250	P. Hodnott	

MANILA.

IN PORT ON 21ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Arab	Feb. 19		Ger. bk	541	Martin, Dyce & Co	London
Atma	Feb. 3		Nor. bk	525	T. Herrmann & Co	N.Y. or B'ton
B. F. Watson	Feb. 9		Amr. bk	993	Baer, Senior & Co	New York
Daniel	Mar. 11		Ger. bk	416	Smith, Bell & Co	Tientsin
Derbyshire	Mar. 16		Brit. sh	1163	Peels, Hubbell & Co	S. Francisco
Josepfina	Feb. 5		Span. bk	626	Martin, Dyce & Co	Iloilo
Nervion	Mar. 18		Span. bk	594	Smith, Bell & Co	
Raphael	Feb. 12		Amr. sh	1543	Peels, Hubbell & Co	Boston
Varuna	Feb. 8		Ger. bk	487	C. Heinszen & Co	Liverpool

ILOILO.

IN PORT ON 21ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Annie M. Law	Dec. 27		Brit. sh	1178	Austen & Co	Montreal
Granville Belle	Mar. 1		Brit. bk	1130	Ker & Co	Boston
Minnie Allen	Mar. 1		Amr. bk	662	Smith, Bell & Co	N.Y. or B'ton
Panay	Mar. 15		Amr. sh	1190	Ker & Co	Manila
Solveig	Jan. 14		Nor. bg	296	Austen & Co	New York

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

NAME.	RIG.	GUNS	H.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE AT.
Albatross	screw sloop	4	840	Com. Errington	Cruising
Audacious	double-screw iron frigate	14	4330	Captain R. E. Tracey	Hongkong
Champion	corvette	14	2340	Capt. R. G. S. Pasley	Singapore
Cleopatra	corvette	14	2610	Capt. H. N. Hippisley	Hongkong
Curacoa	corvette	14	2540	Captain S. Long	Hongkong
Daring	composite sloop	4	920	Com. F. J. J. Elliott	Yokohama
Esk	double-screw gunboat	3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
Flying Fish	sloop	4	840	Lieut.-Com. Hoskyn	Hongkong
Fly	double-screw gun-vessel	4	490	Com. John Hope	Singapore
Foxhound	gunboat	4	470	Lieut.-Com. McQuhae	Sandakan
Kestrel	double-screw gun-vessel	4	830	Commander E. Hotham	Shanghai
Lily	screw gun-vessel	3	830	Commander Evans	Singapore
Linnet	gunboat	5	050	Capt. C. R. Harris	Hongkong
Magpie	surveying vessel	3	600	Lieut-Com. A. Carpenter	Hongkong
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	4	470	In reserve	Hongkong
Moorhen	gunboat	4	390	Lieut.-Com. J.H. Corfe	Kobe
Pegasus	sloop	6	970	Com. E. F. Day	Cruising
Sheldrake	gunboat	4	370	Lieut. Com. M. Bridger	Yokohama
Swift	double-screw gun-vessel	5	1010	Commander Collins	Cruising
Thalia	troopship	—	—	Capt. J. W. Brackenbury	Hongkong
Tweed	double-screw gunboat	3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
V. Emanuel	receiving ship	20	—	Commodore Cuming	Hongkong
Vigilant	paddle despatch-vessel	2	1230	Lieut.-Com. C. Lindsay	Hongkong
Wivern	turret-ship	4	1450	In reserve	Hongkong
Zephyr	gunboat	4	530	Lt.-Com. G.N.A. Pollard	Shanghai

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

NAME.	FLAG.	GUNS.	H.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE AT.
Abreck	Russian gunboat	7	300	Captain Schanz	Chefoo
Adonis	French gunboat	5	250	Commander Caillard	Saigon
Alert	American corvette	4	150	Commander L. Kempff	Kobe
Africa	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Alexieff	Singapore
Aragon	Spanish frigate	—	—	Captain J. R. Hiquero	Hongkong
D. of Edinburgh	Russian ironclad	18	900	Captain Giers	Amoy
Elizabeth	German corvette	15	400	Hollmann	Yokohama
Ermak	Russian transport	—	80	Captain Koltchau	Nagasaki
Gornostai	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Stark	Vladivostock
Iltis	German gunboat	8	100	Commander Klausa	Cruising
Kersaint	French corvette	—	375	Commander Beaumont	Canton
La Victorieuse	French frigate	14	750	Captain D. de la Batie	Hongkong
Leipzig	German corvette	16	—	Captain Herbig	Hongkong
Lutin	French gunboat	4	100	Captain Rouvier	Hongkong
Monocacy	American gunboat	6	700	Commander C. S. Cotton	Swatow
Morge	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Tatarinoff	Japan
Nerpa	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Valrondt	Chefoo
Palos	American gunboat	6	200	Lieut.-Commander Green	Kobe
Plastoun	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Poliansky	Saigon
Richmond	American frigate	14	800	Captain Skerrett	Hongkong
Sobol	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Boyle	Vladivostock
St. Petersburg	Russian transport	6	—	Captain Sidenener	Vladivostock
Stosch	German corvette	19	700	Captain von Buchholtz	Hongkong
Tamega	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	Capt. da Costa Cabral	Macao
Tongous	Russian gunboat	—	—	Commander Heck	Singapore
Velasco	Spanish cruiser	—	—	Capt. T. M. Warleta	Hongkong
Vestnik	Russian cruiser	—	—	Captain Avelan	Singapore
Villars	French cruiser	15	600	Captain Dewatre	Hongkong
Vostock	Russian gunboat	4	—	Commander Molchonsky	Japan
Wolf	German gunboat	4	340	Commander von Raven	Chefoo

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

NAME.	FLAG AND RIG.	GUNS	TONS	H.P.	COMMANDER.	STATION.
An-lan	Viceroy's gunboat	7	250	75	—	Hongkong
Chee-hing	Revenue cruiser	2	30	20	—	—
Chiên-jui	Revenue cruiser	3	80	17	—	Hongkong
Chiên-to	Viceroy's gunboat	7	250	75	J. Stewart	Hongkong
Ching-tsing	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	60	F. Bessard	Hongkong
Chop-sai	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hai-chong-ching	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hai-king-ching	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hoi-tung-hung	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	Leung Yiu Ting	Canton
Peng-chao-hai	Revenue cruiser	4	562	125	Chow Shol	Hongkong
Quang-on	Viceroy's gunboat	4	120	40	Lie-ping-tie	Canton
San Hang	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	Yang Yung Lin	Hongkong
Tching-on	Viceroy's gunboat	2	120	40	Chinese Admiral	Bogue Forts
Tching-po	Viceroy's gunboat	3	100	40	Ching	Bogue Forts

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 4, Amoy, British str., 814, C. Herrmann, Shanghai 1st April, General.—Siemssen & Co.
April 5, Brutus, German str., 460, Voge, Saigon 30th March, Paddy.—Wieler & Co.
April 5, Emuy, Spanish steamer, 222, A. Rementeria, Manila *via* Amoy 29th March, General.—Remedios & Co.
April 5, Thales, British steamer, 820, T. G. Pocock, Swatow 4th April, General.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
April 5, Lido, British str., 620, T. Lewis, Manila 2nd April, General.—Russell & Co.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office, April 5th.

Lord of the Isles, British str., for Yokohama.
Chinkiang, British str., for Shanghai.
Francisco Reyes, Spanish str., for Manila.
Jeddah, British str., for Amoy.
Activ, Danish str., for Hoihow.
Menelaus, British str., for Shanghai.
Whampoa, British str., for Swatow.

DEPARTURES.

April 5, Pembrokeshire, British steamer, for Saigon.
April 5, Kersaint, French g-bt., for Canton.
April 5, Monocacy, Amr. g-bt., for Swatow.
April 5, Lord of the Isles, British str., for Yokohama.
April 5, Chinkiang, British steamer, for Shanghai.
April 5, Francisco Reyes, Spanish str., for Manila.
April 5, Lorne, British str., for Singapore.
April 5, Amoy, British str., for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Lido*, str., from Manila.—8 Chinese.
Per *Amoy*, str., from Shanghai.—30 Chinese.
Per *Emuy*, str., from Manila, &c.—168 Chinese.
Per *Thales*, str., from Swatow.—Capt. Dodd, and 215 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer *Emuy* reports from Manila to Amoy strong E.N.E. winds, from Amoy to port calm and fog.

The British steamer *Amoy* reports left Shanghai on the 1st instant, and had light Southerly winds and overcast sky with fog at intervals.

The British steamer *Thales* reports left Swatow on the 4th inst., and had light variable airs and overcast to Mondoza, and from thence to port foggy weather. In Swatow str. *Seewo* and H.M.S. *Swift*.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
23, Hae-shin, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
25, Douglas, British str., from Hongkong.
28, Nanzing, British str., from Shanghai.
30, Namoa, British str., from Hongkong.

March— DEPARTURES.
23, Kvik, Norwegian bark, for Tientsin.
23, Kwangtung, British str., for Hongkong.
27, Hae-shin, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
28, Douglas, British str., for Hongkong.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
24, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
24, Wha-on, British str., from Hankow.
24, Hideyoshi Maru, Jap. str., from K'notzu.
24, Sual, British str., from Hankow.
24, Kiang-yung, Chinese str., from Hankow.
24, Hae-ting, Chinese str., from Tientsin.
24, Nanzing, British str., from Foochow.
24, M. Wenkleman, Am. sch., fr m Pgt. Sound.
25, Tientsin, British str., from Swatow.
25, Hing-shing, Chinese str., from Tientsin.
25, Massalia, German str., from Hamburg.
25, Tyne, British str., from Nagasaki.
25, Tunsin, British str., from Ningpo.
25, Ichang, British str., from Hankow.
25, Sin Nanzing, British str., from Tientsin.
25, Posang, British str., from Hongkong.
25, Yoritomo Maru, Jap. str., from K'notzu.
26, Chinkiang, British str., from Hongkong.
26, Chefoo, British str., from Swatow.
26, Brenda, British brig, from Hakodate.
26, Stout, Nor. bark, from Nagasaki.
26, Kumasaka Maru, Jap. bark, from K'notzu.

March— DEPARTURES.
24, Tsurunoye Maru, Jap. bk., for Nagasaki.
24, Pekin, British str., for Hankow.
24, Kwa Hsing, Chinese str., for a cruise.
24, Chintung, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
24, Kiang-teen, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
26, Taiwo, British str., for Hankow.
26, Pechili, British str., for Chefoo.
26, Hae-an, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
26, Taku, British str., for Tientsin.
26, Hae-ting, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
26, Kamtchatka, Russian str., for Karatzu.
26, Chung King, British str., for Tientsin.
26, Fungshun, Chinese str., for Tientsin.
26, Strathleven, British str., for New York.
26, Tunsin, British str., for Ningpo.
26, Sherard Osborn, British str., for a cruise.

Vessels arrived in Europe from Ports in China, Japan, and Manila.
(Per last Mail's Advice).

Atalanta (s.)	Hongkong	Feb. 12
Marie Louise	Manila	Feb. 13
Glenavon (s.)	Shanghai	Feb. 17
Archos	Hongkong	Feb. 18
Lancashire	Manila	Feb. 18
Jupiter	Hongkong	Feb. 19
Isla de Luzon (s.)	Manila	Feb. 21

Vessels Expected at Hongkong.
(Corrected to Date).

Johanne	Cardiff	Oct. 2
Auguste	Newport	Oct. 25
Date	Liverpool	Nov. 30
Dartmouth	London	Dec. 13
A. & W. C.	Penarth	Dec. 15
Sacramento	New York	Dec. 18
Maria Magdalena	Hamburg	Dec. 19
Importer	Cardiff	Dec. 27
Elise	London	Jan. 8
Great Admiral	Penarth	Jan. 11
Adolph Obrig	Penarth	Jan. 14
Centennial	Liverpool	Jan. 15
Friedrich	Liverpool	Jan. 19
Hydra	Liverpool	Jan. 26
G. C. Trufant	Cardiff	Jan. 29
Patricio (s.)	Glasgow	Feb. 1
Friedlander	Cardiff	Feb. 2
Undine	Cardiff	Feb. 2
Mathilda	Cardiff	Feb. 6
Elisa	Cardiff	Feb. 6
Mingkut	Glasgow	Feb. 9
Antenor (s.)	London	Feb. 10
LoudounCastle (s.)	London	Feb. 11
Carl Ritter	Liverpool	Feb. 13
Frederick (s.)	Cardiff	Feb. 16
Elwell	Liverpool	Feb. 19
H.M.S. Espoir	Plymouth	Feb. 19
H.M.S. Cockchafer	Plymouth	Feb. 19
Patroclus (s.)	Liverpool	Feb. 21

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

HUGHES & LEGGE,
Australian and China Coals.
At Noon.

THE TOURIST'S GUIDE.
Reduced Price, $1
Containing the names of all the Articles of Trade, objects of Natural History, Furniture, &c., &c., with the Punti and Mandarin Pronunciation.
Also a few copies of the GRAMMAR of the CHINESE LANGUAGE, in two Parts.
The *Daily Press* Office.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL......5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND..........2,500,000 of Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—Wm. Reiners, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—W. S. Young, Esq.

H. L. Dalrymple, Esq.	A. McIver, Esq.
A. Glitzow, Esq.	F. D. Sassoon, Esq.
Hon. F. B. Johnson.	M. E. Sassoon, Esq.
A. P. McEwen, Esq.	C. Vincent Smith, Esq.

Chief Manager.
Hongkong—Thomas Jackson, Esq.
Manager.
Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq.
London Bankers—London & County Bank.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed.
On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months 4 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 5 per Cent. per Annum.
Local Bills Discounted.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
8] Hongkong, 4th April, 1883.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter).
PAID-UP CAPITAL.............. £1,500,000.
LONDON BANKERS:
Bank of England.
Union Bank of London, Limited.
Bank of Scotland, London.
RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED on Deposits:
At 3 Months' Notice, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
At 6 Months' Notice, 4 per Cent. per Annum.
At 12 Months' Notice, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
Hongkong, 1st June, 1882. [9

TO BE LET.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS.
Goods received on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in First-class Godowns.
Also
Entire GODOWNS to be LET.
Apply to MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1881. [1047

TO LET.
A SMALL GODOWN, Water Frontage.
Apply to MORE & SEIMUND, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1883. [663

TO LET.
SPACIOUS GODOWN at Bowrington, suitable for the Storage of Coal.
Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1883. [496

TO LET.
ROOMS in Club Chambers.
Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [30

TO BE LET.
THE HOUSE No. 2, Duddell Street, Queen's Road, in rear of Oriental Bank.
Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [629

TO BE LET.
No. 9, Mosque Terrace.
No. 27, Elgin Street.
No. 18, Elgin Street, (Bungalow).
Godowns at Wanchai.
Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1883. [278

TO LET.
No. 4, Old Bailey Street.
No. 6, Queen's Road Central, lately occupied by Pacific Mail S. S. Co.
No. 25a, Praya Central.
Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1883. [29

TO LET.
A SUITE of OFFICES, with Compradore's Rooms, &c., on the Premises of the Undersigned. Separate Entrance in Ice House Street.
For Full Particulars, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1883. [112

TO BE LET.
LATE "NOVELTY STORE" in Bank Buildings.
ROSE VILLAS WEST, on Bonham and Robinson Roads, Furnished.
GODOWNS, East and West.
Small HOUSES, Praya West.
Apply to SHARP & Co.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1883. [563

TO LET.
FROM 1st April, ROOMS at 55, Queen's Road East.
Apply to MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1883. [450

YOKOHAMA.
TO BE LET FURNISHED for the Summer months, A Comfortable Family Residence, well situated on the Bluff.
Apply to JOHN S. COX.
7th February, 1883. [286

SUN SHING,
DEALER IN SILKS,
Canton and Shanghai Gauzes, Crape Shawls, Lacquered and Ivory Ware, Curiosities, Ornaments, Inlaid Chairs and Tables, &c., &c.,
GOLD and SILVER JEWELLER.
Engraver on Stamps, Seals, &c., &c.,
No. 62, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
Note.—This Firm is the oldest established of the kind in Hongkong, and has no connection with any other of similar hong name.
SUN SHING.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1881. [989

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons, Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1867. [22

THE CHUNG NGOI SAN PO
(Chinese *Daily Press*),
Published Daily,
Is the best medium for Advertising among the Native Community.
It has been established upwards of Twenty Years, and enjoys the largest *bonâ fide* circulation of any Chinese paper in the Southern China. It is carefully edited by an experienced Chinese Scholar, and contains Full and Reliable Commercial Intelligence.
Terms for Advertising can be obtained at the Office, Wyndham Street, Hongkong; or from the different Agents.
Hongkong, 16th January, 1877.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having been Granted Letters of Administration of the Estate of the late John Noble will sign all receipts in connection therewith.
JOHN S. COX.
Hongkong, 13th December, 1882. [45

NOTICE.
FROM and after the 1st May, 1883, Mr. THOMAS GITTINS, Junior, will be admitted a Partner in our Firm.
JOHN GITTINS & Co.
The Firm will consist of Mr. JOHN GITTINS, Mr. HESILRIGE JOHN JOHNSTONE CHAMBERS, and Mr. THOMAS GITTINS, Junior.
Foochow, 1st January, 1883. [109

NOTICE.
WE have authorized Mr. BENDYSHE LAYTON to sign the name of our Firm in Hongkong from this date.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1883. [649

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned, late Compradore of the Firm of N. D. Ollia, of Amoy, resigned the service of the above Firm at the end of the last Chinese year, since which date all the accounts have been settled between his Security and the Manager, Mr. Nusserwanjee Dadabhoy Ollia. The Undersigned and his Security therefore will not be responsible for any debts contracted in future with the said Firm.
YIP YUNG HING, Amoy.
Amoy, 31st March, 1883. [641

NOTICE.
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
DURING my absence Mr. STEWART MUNN McLEISH will sign my name per procuration.
Wm. CRUICKSHANK.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1883. [610

NOTICE.
IN Future all Letters in connection with the Taku Tug and Lighter Company are requested to be addressed to the Undersigned.
JAMES WATTS, Sec. T. T. and L. Co.
Taku, 1st January, 1883. [178

NOTICE.
WE have authorised Mr. FRIEDRICH HEINRICH HOHNKE to sign our Firm from this date.
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [516

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE DIRECTORS are now prepared to receive Tenders from suitable persons for a term of FIVE YEARS, for the lease of the Hongkong Hotel, with FURNITURE complete.
The Building (together with a powerful passenger lift,) will comprise after the proposed alterations and additions have been completed, viz:—
THE BASEMENT.
Two Grand Entrances from Pedder's Street and Queen's Road. Bar, Billiard, Reading and Smoking Rooms with separate Entrance from Pedder's Street.
A handsomely fitted up Ladies Room, for the use of visitors and others.
Manager's and General Offices, Kitchens, Store Rooms, &c., &c., &c.
FIRST FLOOR.
A Public Dining Room capable of dining upwards of 170 persons at the same time.
ONE large Breakfast Room.
FIVE elegant and beautifully fitted up suite of Rooms, consisting of a Private Dining Room, Drawing Room, Card Room, Reading Room, and Billiard Room.
TEN Bed Rooms with a Bathroom to each.
SECOND AND THIRD FLOORS
Have each 26 lofty, well ventilated and lighted Bed Rooms, opening on to large Verandahs with a commodious Bath Room for each room.
All the Passages and Corridors throughout the premises are wide and well lighted, most of the furniture will be new and made expressly for the climate.
The special attention of Hotel Keepers and others is drawn to the unusual advantages offered.
Tenders to state sum per annum, and to include taxes. No Tender under $3,500 per mensem will be entertained by the Directors.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [650

NEWCHWANG OIL REFINERY.
ON SALE.
CASTOR OIL.—For Lubricating purposes at about 55 Cents per Gallon. We have since establishing our Oil Refinery in 1881 had an increasing sale of this Oil and can produce Certificates from nearly all the Chief Engineers of Steamers visiting this Port that our Oil superseded the Indian Oil in purity and body.
HEMP SEED OIL.—Raw and Boiled at respectively 45 and 50 Cents per Gallon. This Oil has for years been extensively used by Coasting Sailing Vessels and House Painters for Oiling Decks and Spars and Painting Vessels as well as outside House Work, etc., at a cost of about one third of English Paint Oil and served equally as well.
BRIGHT VARNISH for Varnishing Spars and other bright work, 75 Cents per Gallon.
TALLOW, at lowest market price.
Quotations subject to fluctuations in market price of CRUDE OIL.
F. A. SCHULTZE & Co.
Newchwang, 1st March, 1883. [489

MUSIC.
SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, now a Resident in Hongkong, will give lessons in MUSIC, SINGING and PIANOFORTE.
Charges Strictly Moderate.
Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1883. [443

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned has all kinds of House and Ship Coal for sale in large and small quantities. Also several Strong and Commodious SMALL STEAMERS on hire for towing purposes, excursions, &c., &c., at extremely moderate rates. Apply to
HING LEE, 37, Tung Man Lane.
Hongkong, 4th March 1882. [466

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.
A. MILLAR & CO., PLUMBERS, GASFITTERS, &c., &c., have REMOVED their Office and Ware-room to No. 6, "Beaconsfield Arcade," where Orders for Fittings and Repairs will be punctually attended to. [25

ESTABLISHED IN 1852.
L. P. FISHER'S NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING AGENCY,
Rooms 20 and 21, Merchants' Exchange, California Street, S. F.
N.B.—Advertising Solicited for all Newspapers published on the Pacific Coast, the Sandwich Islands, Polynesia, Mexican Ports, Panama, Valparaiso, Japan, China, New Zealand, the Australian Colonies, the Eastern States, and Europe. Files of nearly every Newspaper published on the Pacific Coast are kept constantly on hand, and all Advertisers are allowed free access to them during business hours.
The "Hongkong Daily Press" is kept on file at the Office of L. P. Fisher, who is authorised to receive Advertisements.

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
THIS DAY,
the 6th April, 1883, at Noon, on Marine Lot 121, Praya East.
1,300 Tons AUSTRALIAN COALS,
(More or less damaged by Fire and Water),
In Lots to suit Purchasers.
Afterwards,
At Messrs. Russell & Co.'s Godowns, Wanchai.
93 Tons Inferior AUSTRALIAN COALS.
And
A Quantity of CHINA COALS.
Terms of Sale.—As Customary.
HUGHES & LEGGE, Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [675

IN THE VICE ADMIRALTY COURT OF HONGKONG.
THE Marshal will in virtue of a decree of the said Court Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 7th April Next, at Noon,
The Ship "CHANDERNAGOR." of 682 tons. This Vessel which has lately been thoroughly repaired, has excellent accommodation for First Class Passengers, and her between Deck is well fitted for Emigrants.
She will be sold with a full complement of Masts, Chains, Sails and Stores; and in a condition to put to sea at once.
The Auction will take place on board the said Ship.
For the Inventory or for further particulars, apply to the Undersigned at his Office.
J. DYER BALL, Marshal of the Vice Admiralty Court of Hongkong.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [638

PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE HOUSES IN Queen's Road Central.
THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, by Order of the Mortgagee, on
SATURDAY,
the 14th day of April, 1883, on the Premises at Three p.m.,
1st Lot.
The HOUSE No. 79, in Queen's Road Central, measuring North and South 15½ feet, on the East and West 27¼ feet. Yearly Crown Rent £1.10.8, for 999 years from the 4th December, 1857. Registered as INLAND LOT No. 531.
2nd Lot.
The HOUSE No. 81, in Queen's Road Central measuring North and South 14 feet; East and West 27¼ feet. Yearly Crown Rent £1.7.7½ for 999 years from 9th December, 1857. Registered as INLAND LOT No. 530.
For Particulars and Conditions, apply to J. M. GUEDES, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [670

FOR SALE.
THE British Barque "ANGLO INDIAN," 444 Tons register, will be Sold by Auction, on account of the concerned, in Shanghai, (where she now lies) on or about the 24th April.
For Further Particulars, apply to the Captain on board, or to DRYSDALE, RINGER & Co., Agents.
Shanghai, 23rd March, 1883. [608

KELLY AND WALSH'S SELECTED LIST OF WORKS OF REFERENCE.
Roget's Thesaurus of English Words.
Brewer's Dictionary of Phrase and Fable.
Edwards' Words, Facts and Phrases.—A Dictionary of Curious and Quaint Matters.
Wheeler's Familiar Allusions—A Handbook of Miscellaneous Information.
Wright's Dictionary of Obsolete and Provincial English.
Davenport Adams' Dictionary of English Literature.
Bartlett's The Shakspeare Phrase Book.
Spon's Workshop Receipts for Manufacturers, Mechanics and Scientific Amateurs.
Brewer's Reader's Handbook of Allusions, References, Plots and Stories.
Bohn's Handbook of Proverbs.
The American Hoyle—A Complete Handbook of Indoor Games.
Bartlett's Familiar Quotations.
Hoyt and Lloyd's Cyclopædia of Practical Quotations.
Hill's Manual of Social and Business Forms.
Chambers's Encyclopædia—New Edition in 10 Volumes.
Kwong Ki Chui's Dictionary of English Phrases with Illustrative Sentences.
Johnston's General Gazetteer of the World.
Bohn's Dictionary of Poetical Quotations.
Carleton's Condensed Encyclopædia and Handbook of Information.
JUST RECEIVED.
EASTER CARDS.
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26] KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with Resolution No. 2, passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held at the City Hall on the 30th December, 1882, all Shares not taken up and the First Call paid, on or before the 30th June next, will be disposed of by the Directors in such manner as in their discretion they shall think best in the interests of the Company.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [667

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.
1815.—The year of our Establishment in Europe.
1847.—The year of our Establishment in China.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s **** Cognac, the very best and oldest shipped.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s ***, **, * Cognac.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Invalid's Port, old and thoroughly good.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Sherry W.S. the best wine of its kind in China.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Amoroso, Vino de Pasto, Vino Puro.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Clarets, Chateau Mouton, Laroso, St. Estephe, &c.
Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s Agents have for sale The "Royal Charter" Champagne—selected for the Queen.
The "Carlton" Whiskey—two qualities, 11 and 5 years old, guaranteed.
All these are kept in stock in Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama. Address for particulars: Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., or Siemssen & Co., or Lane, Crawford & Co. at either place; and to Messrs. Bush Bros., Newchwang. [2001

A FONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER.
Has a Larger, Choicer, and more Complete COLLECTION of VIEWS, than any other in the Empire.
Ivory Miniatures of superior excellence, and high finish, painted by native artists under careful supervision, from $7.
The new Promenade Portraits are now taken daily.
STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite the Hongkong Hotel. [62

INTIMATIONS.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of April, 1883, at 12 o'Clock Noon, when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on FRIDAY, the 30th day of March, 1883, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.
RESOLUTION.
That Clause No. 30 be struck out and expunged from the Articles of Association of this Company and do cease to form portion of the Articles of this Company from the 14th day of April, 1883, and that the following Clause be substituted instead thereof and do form portion of the Articles of Association of the Company from the last mentioned day and be numbered 30.
30.—That the Company may with the Sanction of a Special Resolution previously given in Meeting sub-divide the existing Shares of the Company into Shares of such amount as the Meeting shall direct.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, dated the 30th day of March, 1883. [637

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Office, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of April, 1883, at 12.15 in the Afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed.
RESOLUTION.
That each of the existing Shares of the Company be divided into four Shares of $ 50 upon each of which the sum of $50 shall be credited as paid up.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, dated the 19th day of March, 1883. [572

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Office, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 16th day of April, 1883, at Twelve o'Clock, Noon, when the following Special Resolutions will be proposed:—
1.—That the Capital of the China Sugar Refining Company, Limited, be increased from $600,000 to $900,000 by the issue of 3,000 new Shares of $100 each to be issued at par.
2.—That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the Allottee at the time named for that purpose by the General Agents.
3.—That the said new shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times, as the General Agents shall think fit to the persons who shall on the 19th day of May, 1883, be the registered holders of the old or present shares, in the proportion of one new share for every two of the said old or present shares, and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents, and that any new share, or shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents shall be disposed of, and allotted, by the General Agents and Consulting Committee at such times, to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion direct in the interests of the Company.
4.—That, subject and without prejudice to any direction of the General Agents and Consulting Committee to the contrary made in pursuance of the immediately preceding resolution, holders for the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of acceptance thereof within the meaning of Article No. 48 of the Articles of Association of the Company, to participate in the dividend for the year 1883 to the extent hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:
When and so soon as the dividend for the whole of the year 1883 shall have been ascertained and become payable in pursuance of the said Articles of Association, one moiety, or equal half part, thereof shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares exclusively, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them, and the other moiety, or equal half part thereof, shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them.
5.—That the dividend for the year 1884 and every subsequent year shall be distributed amongst the holders for the time being of the said old or present shares and the holders for the time being of the said new shares, in proportion to the number of shares respectively held by them.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [677

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT TO LONDON via MARSEILLES.
COMMENCING with the Mail leaving Hongkong on the 21st June next, and until further notice, the Company's Steamers will proceed to London, via Colombo, calling at MARSEILLES en route.
The time occupied on the passage to Plymouth and London consequent on this change of route will be increased by a few hours only as the vessels will not call either at Malta or Gibraltar.
PASSAGE.
The rates to Marseilles will be the same as to the Italian Ports and Return-Tickets will be granted on similar terms.
For Further Particulars as to Freight and Passage, apply to
A. McIVER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 15th March, 1883. [533

SAM HING, Junr.
STULTZ,
TAILOR AND OUTFITTER,
Dealer in Chinese Silk of all kinds, Bamboo Blinds, China Matting, Pith Hats, &c., &c., &c.
By Special Appointment, Tailor to H. R. H. the Duke of Brabant, now KING OF THE BELGIANS, and to H. M. the King of the Hawaiian Islands.
No. 62, Queen's Road Central.
(Fourth door West from Pottinger Street.)
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1883. [592

JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS.
Gold Medal,
Paris, 1878.
Sold by all Stationers and Dealers. [910

JOHN BALLEY WHITE & BROTHER'S PORTLAND CEMENT.
Sole Agents for China;
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1881. [526

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.
FRAISSINET & Co.
INDIA AND CHINA LINE.
S.S. "GOLCONDE," Andrac, Commander.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named vessel from Marseilles and intermediate Ports, and in connection with the "NESTA" from London, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No. 12, whence and from the wharves or boats delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 12th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [483

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "MENELAUS," FROM LIVERPOOL.
SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 9th instant for shipment per steamer "PATROCLUS."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [625

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "MENELAUS," are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 4th April, 1883.
Goods undelivered after the 10th April, 1883, will be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [625

UNION LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship "LORD OF THE ISLES,"
Captain Felgate, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to Yokohama unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.
All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th instant, or they will not be recognised.
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [652

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship "CARNARVONSHIRE,"
Patrick, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods with exception of Opium are being landed at their risk into Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No. 12, whence and from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 a.m., TO-DAY.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 8th instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [609

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship "JAPAN,"
Captain F. F. Flack, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from longside.
Cargo impeding her discharge or remaining on board after the 4th proximo, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.
Consignees are hereby informed that any Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 12th proximo.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [639

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Ex "Yangtse,"
B C (in triangle) T. (underneath) No. 794/811, 18 Cases Wine, Messrs. Birley & Co. from London.
A & F P (in diamond) 1634, 1 Case Soap, Order, from London.
H M E 66 Bundles Sandalwood, from Singapore.
A B E 1 Case Birds Feathers, from Singapore.
E B J 1 Case do. do.
H J 3 Bales Sharkfins, do.
M M A 1 Case Birds Feathers, do.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

NOTICE.
AMOUNTS due to the Lusitano Sweeps must be paid before the 15th instant, or the Debtors will be considered as "Defaulters" and their names—without exception—will be published as such.
ECA da SILVA.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [659

FOR SALE CHEAP.
FIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR in lots to suit from one ton upwards.
CHOY CHEW, 230, Praya West.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [668

CURIOSITIES.
CHINESE and JAPANESE CURIOS, Ancient and Modern.
PICTURES, FURNITURE,
On Sale or For Hire.
E. CASSUMBHOY,
Beaconsfield Arcade,
Opposite City Hall. [550

IMPORTANT NOTICE.
THE PROPRIETORS OF THE STEAM RICE MILLS, viz:
OF THE COMPAGNIE FRANCAISE DE SAIGON, AND OF THE RIZERIE A VAPEUR DE CHOLEN (A. SPOONER, Ed. RENARD & Co.)
BEG leave to bring to the Notice of Importers of Saigon Rice, that they guarantee the quantity of Paddy stipulated for in their Contracts, allowing 1 Cent on Contract Price for each catty of Paddy, contained in the average sample as taken on delivery of the Rice, exceeding the percentage agreed upon. [540

INTIMATIONS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
CITY HALL.
Under Distinguished Patronage,
on
TUESDAY, 10th April,
THE OFFICERS OF "THE BUFFS,"
Assisted by
LADY AMATEURS,
will play
CHARLES SMITH CHELTENAM'S
Comedy in Three Acts,
A LESSON IN LOVE.

Orlando Middlemark	Mr. B. Holme.
Capt. Freeman	Capt. Newnham Davis.
Babblebrook	Mr. H. Somerset.
Mrs. Sutherland	Mrs. Bernard.
Miss Leslie	Mrs. Woodbine.
Miss Anastasia Winterberry	Mrs. Chervau.

The String Band of the Regiment will play between the Acts.
The Proceeds of this Performance will be divided amongst the local Charities.
Stalls and Dress Circle, $2; Pit, $1.
Doors open at 8.30 to commence at 9.
Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's.
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [599

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Hankow and Ports on the Yangtsze.)
THE Company's Steamship
"POSANG,"
Captain Irvine, will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 6th instant, at Four p.m., instead of as previously advertised.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [679

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI, AND TAIWANFOO.
THE Steamship
"CHINA,"
Captain H. Schoor, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [680

FOR SWATOW.
THE Steamship
"THALES,"
Captain Pocock, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 9th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [682

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.
THE Steamship
"CASSANDRA,"
Captain Wagner, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 9th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [681

TO LET.
A TWO STOREY HOUSE (6 Rooms) with Garden, in Mosque Junction. The above has Gas and Water laid on; and immediate possession can be had.
For Particulars apply to
D. NOWROJEE, Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [684

GOVERNMENT BILLS.
TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN DOLLARS Current in this Colony weighing 7.1.7., in exchange for BILLS drawn ON DEMAND on Her Majesty's Treasury Chest, Colombo, Ceylon, will be received by the Staff Paymaster until Twelve, Noon, on MONDAY Next, the 9th instant.
The Tenders to state the Total Amount required (in Rupees) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums below Rs. 10,000.
The Tenders to be in Duplicate in Sealed Covers addressed to the "Staff Paymaster" and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."
The right to accept or reject any or all the Tenders is reserved.
AUG. S. MURRAY, Major, Staff Paymaster.
Treasury Office, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 6th April, 1883. [683

WANTED.
A GOOD GENERAL OFFICE ASSISTANT, well acquainted with Accounts. Address, stating References, Age and Salary required,
D., Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [674

WANTED—FOUR STRONG PONIES, Sound and Quiet.
Apply to DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT, Central Police Station.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [669

W. BREWER has just received A Quantity of New Juvenile BOOKS.
Scrap Albums.
Chit Books.
Photograph Frames.
Mackinnon Pens.
Fine Art Goods.
New Books.
Birthday Cards.
Fancy Stationery.
Photo Albums for Cabinets only.
New Music.
Sketching Books.
New Fancy Goods.
10 Per Cent. for Cash.
27] W. BREWER, Bookseller, &c.

LOST.
TEN BUILDING DEBENTURES of the Country Club, Shanghai, Numbered 39/48, issued in the name of John Andrew; any one finding the same is requested to return them to the Undersigned.
O. D. KERR, Hon. Sec., Country Club.
Shanghai, 12th March, 1883. [569

NOTICE.
THE Offices of the Undersigned have this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor of No. 43, Queen's Road Central, above Achee's Furniture Store.
DENNYS & MOSSOP, Solicitors and Notaries Public.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [648

PIANOFORTES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the sale of the

PIANOFORTES

manufactured by BROADWOOD, COLLARD & COLLARD, and CHAPPELL,

of London, and they have on view, for Sale or Hire, a large selection of various styles, Comprising:—

A BROADWOOD'S CONCERT GRAND, COTTAGE GRANDS, SHORT-GRANDS, COTTAGE PIANOS and PIANINOS, made expressly for this Climate.

They have also for sale CHAPPELL'S latest MUSIC, including "IOLANTHE," GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S latest OPERA.

PIANOS tuned and kept in thorough repair by an experienced Tuner from Messrs BROADWOOD & SONS.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1883. [632

NOTICE.

A. S. WATSON AND CO., FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS,

By Appointment to His Excellency the Governor and his Royal Highness the DUKE OF EDINBURGH,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS, PERFUMERS,

PATENT MEDICINE VENDORS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRYMEN, And AERATED WATER MAKERS.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS REFITTED, PASSENGER SHIPS SUPPLIED.

NOTICE.—To avoid delay in the execution of Orders it is particularly requested that all business communications be addressed to the Firm, A. S. WATSON and Co., or

HONGKONG DISPENSARY. [23

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded.

Orders for extra copies of the *Daily Press* should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 6TH, 1883.

THE question of the establishment of overland commercial communication between India and China, which, after the failure of Colonel BROWNE's expedition in 1875 and the murder of poor MARGARY, had been allowed to drop temporarily out of sight, has recently been revived with considerable energy. The journey performed by Mr. COLQUHOUN from Canton to Calcutta, and the attention it has excited in the Press, is no doubt the primary cause of this revival of interest in a matter always of the highest commercial importance, while the activity shown by France in Cochin-China has also doubtless not been without some influence. The policy of China has always been to endeavour to keep foreigners out of Thibet and prevent any overland communication between her South-western provinces and British-Indian territory. The kingdom of Burmah at present interposes between the Indian and Chinese frontiers, and serves to postpone the establishment of direct overland commercial intercourse between these two great countries. Sooner or later Burmah must fall under the rule of the Indian Government, for it is at present sadly misgoverned and its existence as an independent country retards the development of British Burmah, while it also checks the growth of Indian trade. The British Government should also urge upon that of Peking the desirability of opening Thibet to Indian trade under reasonable conditions and consenting to allow British subjects to visit that curious country for purposes of geographical discovery, &c. A paper has recently been read in London before the Indian Section of the Society of Arts by Mr. C. H. LEPPER on "Overland communication between India and China *via* Assam," in which the author not only showed good reasons for the route he proposed, but gave some interesting information on the subject generally. Mr. LEPPER contended that there were fewer political difficulties in the way of opening a trade route through Assam than in any other direction. He showed that the country intervening between Assam and the places farther east and north was inhabited by the Singpho people, who were friendly, and owed, or rather gave, no allegiance to any one. He gave a short sketch of the relations of China with the surrounding States, and spoke of Chinese influence in Thibet. The Darjeeling Railway, however, and the intercourse it permits by allowing Thibetans to visit India, is already, he said, making a stir in public opinion in Thibet. It is encouraging comparisons between British rule, with its justice and freedom from official pilfering and tyranny on the one hand, and the unhappy conditions ruling in Thibet on the other, where the people are looted by both Lamas and Chinese officials to the last point of endurance. Mr. LEPPER urges, moreover, as another argument in favour of the route he suggests the fact that merchandise would then not have to cross the King of Burmah's territory, and that it would be easy to extend the existing Darjeeling railway to the Irrawaddi. No doubt there are considerable advantages to be gained by tapping China by way of Assam, but it may be questioned whether good policy dictates non-intervention in Burmah. This state is about the worst ruled in all Asia, and so manifold are the abuses that the people would, we believe, offer little objection to pass under British rule. At the same time, it cannot be denied that there is at present in England a very strong disposition to oppose any further extension of the national responsibilities by the acquisition of further territory, and hence it is that Mr. LEPPER's arguments derive considerable force. The Indian planters and merchants are likely to favour them because they hope to find a fresh market in Thibet for Indian tea, which they could exchange for Thibetan wool and gold. The French are fully alive to the possibilities of the future trade with Western China by means of the Songkoi, and will of course do their best to open up that route, the advantages of which have been so often dilated upon by French explorers, by none more eloquently than the late lamented LOUIS DE CARNE. We shall be glad to see efforts made both by the French Authorities and by the Indian Government to bring about overland communication with China. The more avenues there are opened up to commerce the better, for not only will the races inhabiting these remote and secluded regions develop new wants with the spread of knowledge, but new industries will be created and new products raised there when a market for them is found. The mission of the enterprising European trader is primarily the enrichment of self, but in accomplishing it he at the same time enriches those with whom he traffics. The Chinese have long since found out this fact, and the Koreans, in their seclusion, have somehow learned the same lesson, and are now as eager to welcome the formerly contemned barbarians of the West as they once showed fear and dislike towards them. It is only a question of time when all the unexplored states and forbidden regions of the Far East will have been penetrated by the pioneers of commerce; even the "dark continent" is gradually yielding up its mysteries to the traveller and welcoming the trader, and the time is not so far distant when the argosies of commerce will float upon lakes and rivers whose placid surface has never yet been ruffled by anything but the primitive canoe of the savage.

The French corvette *Kersaint*, Commander Beaumont, left here for Canton yesterday morning.

The U. S. gunboat *Monocacy*, Commander C. S. Cotton, left here yesterday morning for Swatow.

Mr. J. Russell Young, the United States Minister to Peking, arrived at Shanghai on the 30th ult. from the North by the *Wuchang*.

The Agent informs us that the O. and O. Steamship Company's steamer *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco, has arrived at Yokohama, and will sail for this port on the 8th inst.

The *Straits Times* is informed on good authority that Captain Bloomfield Douglas, lately Resident of Selangor, has been offered and has accepted the post of Governor of Sabah in succession to Mr. Treacher.

The German corvette *Stosch*, Captain Von Buchholtz, arrived here from a cruise on Wednesday evening, and yesterday morning she exchanged salutes with Admiral Willes on board the *Audacious*, and Admiral Clitz of the U.S.S. *Richmond*.

A correspondent writes to the *N. C. Daily News* from Ch'êng-tu Fu, the capital of Sze-chuan, under date of the 1st March:—"Mr. Hosie, our representative at Chung-king, passed through here two days ago on his way to Ta-li Fu, *viâ* the Kien-chung Valley. He rested two days only, though the weather was extremely wet and unfavourable."

A Peking correspondent of our Shanghai morning contemporary writes under date of the 21st March:—"To-day the missionaries here are forwarding the Anti-opium Petition to London. It is 12ft. 3in. long, and bears 239 signatures. Only four missionaries, as far as the Committee is aware, have declined to sign. Absence from home when the Petition was circulated for signature prevented many others from appending their names."

The Shanghai *Courier* says:—"The works at Port Arthur, the new Chinese naval depôt, appear to be rapidly advancing towards completion, and thousands of coolies are engaged carrying mud from the dock which is being built. Several guns are at present at Shanghai waiting transhipment to Port Arthur. One steamer has been offered Tls. 5,000 for the purpose, but has declined, as she has other engagements. The *Yung Ching* took a number of coolies across from Tientsin on her last trip to be employed on the work."

The following note from Korea is published from a correspondent by the *Hochi Shimbun*:—"One hundred rebels (anti-Japanese agitators) have been captured at Kwan-ön-do and ten ringleaders put to death. I Chai-wan, the eldest son of the Dai In Kun, and brother of the present King, went to China in company with Min, for the purpose of begging the Emperor to liberate his father. The King visits the parade ground three or four times a month, where the Korean troops are drilled by Chinese officers. The coinage of silver money has been commenced under the management of a native merchant, and besides there were a large number of taels in circulation which the Chinese soldiers are spending."

The *Hiogo News* says:—We ventured to surmise some time since that the Chinese would speedily monopolize whatever Korean trade is worth having. Our conjecture is now abundantly corroborated by a correspondent of the *Kobe Shimpo*, who has recently written to that journal from Fusan, where he is residing. He states that there has been a lamentable falling off in the business of the port, the volume of trade—both export and import—having declined about 18,000 *yen* in a single week. This, however, may be principally owing to so few steamers having arrived there. It is also mentioned that the Chinese are flooding Soul with goods, principally grey shirtings, and are selling at prices much under those asked by the Japanese. This they are enabled to do because, as the *Shim-po's* informant alleges, the China Merchants' Company are charging very low freights, and he anticipates as a natural sequence a great alteration in the business carried on in Korea by the Japanese. A significant sign of times is the closing up of several agencies of wealthy Osaka firms.

On Wednesday morning the third steamer of the Nouvelle Compagnie Marseillaise de Navigation à Vapeur arrived in the harbour from Marseilles. This vessel, the *Golconde*, Captain Andrao, is a fine new steamer, of 3,041 tons net, and 5,000 tons gross register. She is rigged as a three-masted schooner, and is 403 feet 6 inches in length, with 42 feet beam, and 36 feet depth of hold. She thus ranks with the very largest steamers that visit this port. She is built entirely of steel, and, we are told, is the first steel steamer that has been built in France. Her engines are compound surface condensing, with a nominal horse-power of 500, and 2,000 indicated. Her average is 11½ knots. She has a top-gallant forecastle, but is flush decked aft, and her passenger accommodation is on the main deck. Forty passengers will find very commodious accommodation in both the first and second class. The first class saloon is aft, and is large, well lighted, and most comfortable looking. It is very neatly fitted up, and round the tables are revolving chairs fixed to the floor. Above this saloon, at the head of the staircase, is a nicely fitted-up smoking room, and leading out of the saloon is the ladies' saloon with cabins leading therefrom. The great feature of the passenger arrangements, however, is the cabin accommodation, which is most unusually good. The cabins are very large, and in each there are only two berths, one on either side, and in their fitting up, every consideration has been paid to comfort. The baths are excellent, and there is a very complete system of water supply. The second class saloon is large and airy, and the cabin accommodation is extremely good, whilst there is a capital ladies' saloon. The vessel has been 44 days coming out from Marseilles, but she had unusually long stoppages—four days at Port Said and Suez, a day at Aden, and another at both Colombo and Singapore, whilst at Saigon she was detained no less than six days. This steamer was built by Messrs. Forges and Chanters de la Mediterranée à la Seyne, and is a type of those which the company proposes to build for their China line.

The agent informs us that the Messageries Maritimes steamer *Ava*, with the next outward French mail, left Saigon at noon yesterday for this port.

The Freemasons of Shanghai gave a grand ball in their fine hall on the evening of the 29th ult., when about 130 ladies and over 300 gentlemen were present. The decorations of the hall were excellent, and all the arrangements good. The ball altogether was a great success and went off with much *éclat*.

A very large specimen of the red python (*p. Curtus*) has been handed to the police at Singapore and taken over by Dr. Dennys for the British Museum. Only one specimen is known to exist in European museums, *viz.*, at Leyden. The Raffles Museum has two specimens both caught in Singapore. The one just brought in came from Johore.—*Straits Times.*

We have received the report of the Amoy Chinese Hospital for 1882. The total number of patients during the year was 4,934, of whom more than 600 were treated in the house. 232 surgical operations were performed. Interesting details are given of the more important cases. The hospital is evidently doing a good work, and Dr. Ringer and his colleagues are to be congratulated on the results achieved. Speaking of the comparatively mild character of the cases of a certain disease as compared with those formerly treated, Dr. Ringer says:—"This may probably be accounted for by the fact that the operation for the disease, so successful in its results, is now known far and wide amongst the Chinese, and sufferers seek the aid of foreign surgery long before the complaint has reached the inordinate proportions frequently attained in years gone by." If Dr. Ringer's explanation be correct, and no other explanation suggests itself, foreign surgery has indeed achieved a very substantial triumph. In such a horrible disease as that referred to the saying that "prevention is better than cure" applies with even more than usual force. We regret to note that the funds of the institution are not in such a flourishing condition as they might be, but as the community of Amoy evidently take a keen interest in it, there is not much likelihood of its utility being impaired for want of money.

A collision occurred between two steam launches in the harbour yesterday morning, which was very near having serious results. The *Morning Star* was carrying passengers from Hongkong to Yau Mah Tee, and a Chinese revenue launch, which had just been turned out from repairing at Mong Kok Tsui, was running in the same direction. She was going a kind of trial trip, and doing her best, but could not get past the *Morning Star*, which was about half a length ahead. A junk being in the way, it became necessary for either the *Morning Star* to slow down to enable the cruiser to cross her bows or for the latter to slow down and pass under her stern. Being behind, it was evidently the place of the Chinese boat to give way, but her captain did not seem to think so, for he ported his helm, and running full butt at the side of the other launch, would inevitably have cut her down and sunk her had not her captain with commendable presence of mind jammed his helm hard-a-port, and thus turned off the force of the collision. As it was the only damage done was by the anchor of the cruiser catching in a stanchion of the other boat and bending it. The Chinese on board the two launches would certainly have fallen to fighting had not Inspector Cameron and another European passenger or two on board the *Morning Star* interfered. The revenue launch seems to have been entirely in the wrong, and the action of her captain nothing short of an outrage, for had the helmsman of the *Morning Star* acted in a less ready manner, there would probably have been serious loss of life, as his launch was full of passengers. It is to be hoped the man may be called to account for his conduct.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

[PER EASTERN EXTENSION, AUSTRALASIA, AND CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S LINE.]

LONDON, 4th April, 1883.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Sir G. Pease has introduced a motion urging that the Chinese Government should be allowed liberty of action regarding the opium duty.

The Under-Secretary of State for the Home Department said that the Chefoo Convention was not ratified because it was not finally settled but that a favourable issue to the negotiations is expected, together with the abolition of transit dues. He opposed the motion because it would prejudice pending negotiations, and the motion was negatived by 122 votes against 66.

THE BUFFS' ATHLETIC SPORTS.

SECOND DAY.

Yesterday was not quite so favourable to the Buffs for their sports, as the weather was close, hot, and showery; still the showers only fell at intervals, and were neither heavy nor long, and those who were present were able to witness the events with a fair amount of comfort. The spectators found much to amuse them, the great variety of events in the programme bringing out good contests. The tugs-of-war over water proved rather desperate affairs, as when the weaker side got into the water, they stuck at the bank on the other side, and could not be made to go past, and it was only by dragging the rope through their hands that it could be drawn to the other side of the water. The officers and sergeants adopted the water tug, and soon the sergeants had their superiors engaged in what we heard not inaptly described as "mudlarking," floundering in greasy mud and dirty water, and after a game struggle they had to succumb to the sergeants, who were well coached and pulled together in better form. This somewhat inelegant form of sport was drawn out rather too far, as the company teams involved four preliminary tugs, two second pulls, and a final. Each pull occupied a long time, for the men were game to the backbone, and held on tooth and nail to the bitter end, and it was found there was only time for the preliminary pulls, so the other three were left over till this morning. They will not be pulled over water, but will be done on dry ground at Scandal Point above the barracks. After all, a good pull on dry ground, last man to go over the line, is a more interesting affair than the "mudlarking" process, though one or two specimens of the latter are not amiss by way of a novelty. The 100 yards was not done in such good time as we expected from the official time of Wood's 200 yards the previous day. Wood, though a competitor, was never in the race at all, being a good way behind all three placed men, and Mara, the winner, did the distance in eleven seconds, official time, which would lead to the belief that there must have been some mistake about the 22 seconds recorded for the recruits' 200 yards the day before. Mara was by far the most successful man all round both days; Corporal Else, who occupied that position last year, was somewhat out of condition, and had to put up with less success. The attendance on the ground, though not so large as on the previous day, was very good, there being many ladies present. The band of the regiment enlivened the scene again with a capital selection of airs.

The order of events was as follows:—

HIGH JUMP.—First prize, $3; second, $2.

Entries: Privates Jones, Green, Taylor, Mara, and Coachman. Jumping started 4 ft. 5 in., Coachman and Green being the first to fail, and Mara and Taylor were the last two left in. The latter failed at 4 ft. 8 in., which Mara cleared well, and he then tried to do 5 feet, but failed.

Pte. Mara (C Company) ......4 ft. 8 in.
Pte. Taylor (D Company) ......4 ft. 7 in.

HURDLE RACE, 120 yards.—First prize, $4; second, $2; third, $1.

Entries: Corpls. Else and Mann, Ptes. Green, Mara, Withers, Brown, Jones, Lynch, Edgehill, and Swindell. Mara was the first to show in front, and, jumping in good form, won the race by about four yards with Brown second, and Green a foot behind the latter. Else, the winner last year, was put out of the race by a fall. Time, 19 4-5ths seconds.

Pte. Mara (C Company) 1
Pte. Brown (C Company) 2
Pte. Green (D Company) 3

VETERANS' RACE (over 12 years service).—First Prize $4 second, $2.

Entries: Privates Marshall, Mullens, Parker and Ohlson. Marshall made the best start, and taking the lead, he just succeeded in maintaining it to the tape, though Mullens was gaining on him at every step and only finished about a foot behind. Time, 12 3-5ths seconds.

Pte. Marshall (C Company)......... 1
Pte. Mullens (H Company)......... 2

100 YARDS RACE.—First Prize $4; second, $2; third, $1.

Entries: Drum Sergeant Gleeson, Privates Mara, Withers, Tapp, Brown, Drury, Green, Wood, Moss and Mara. Mara, the winner of several other events, pulled himself in front, and increasing his lead all the way, won by about two yards in 11 seconds. Gleeson was second, and Withers a good third.

Pte. Mara (C Company) 1
Drum Sergt. Gleeson (C Company) 2
Pte. Withers (E Company) 3

SACK RACE—50 Yards—First prize $2; second $1.

Entries: Corpl. Mann, Privates Farral, Clark, Taylor, Wood, Allan, Hoy, Bush, Reynolds, Broadhurst, Reilly, Drury, and Kirby. Spills were pretty numerous, but Reilly went well and won first prize, Drury being second.

Pte. Reilly (E Compy.) 1
Corpl. Drury (D Compy.) 2

STEEPLE CHASE—Quarter Mile, scramble—First prize, $4; second, $2; third $1.

Entries: Corpl. Mann, Privates Eagin, Green, Brown, Drury, Powell, Bowdidge, Eaglin, Taylor, Jones, Farrell, Broadhurst, Kirby, Connelly, Shrubshell, and Mara. Mara was the first into the water jump, closely followed by the rest. He kept his lead round, though Green was at his heels the whole time. At the finish Mara spurted, and Green could not catch him. Withers was third.

Pte. Mara (C Compy.) 1
Pte. Green (D Compy.) 2
Pte. Withers (D Compy.) 3

TUG OF WAR—Officers v. Sergeants. Across a ditch of water.

Taken all round the sergeants' eleven were somewhat the heavier team, but they were nearly even. The sergeants seemed to have the advantage of training, for they pulled in somewhat the better style, and at each heave they gave, they drew the officers a little bit forward. Lieut. D'Aeth ran into the ditch to get the advantage of the bank the other side, and he pulled till the rope ground his jersey through first, and then wore the skin off under his arm. One of the sergeants, however, ran forward and took the other bank of the pond, which soon became full of officers, and despite the very game way in which they pulled, their end of the rope was at length on the wrong side of the ditch. The team were composed as follow.

OFFICERS.	SERGEANTS.
Lieut. D. Aeth.	Sergeant Coulby.
Capt. Davies.	Sergeant Giles.
Lieut. Holme.	Sergeant Healey.
Lieut. Lloyd.	Sergeant Mulholland.
Capt. Gordon.	Sergeant Milne.
Lieut. Allen.	Sergeant Barton.
Lieut. Porter.	Sergeant Gleeson.
Lieut. Lewis.	Sergeant Edgehill.
Lieut. Ravenhill.	Sergeant Howarth.
Lieut. Bunbury.	Sergeant Farrell.
Lieut. Vyvyan.	Sergeant Robinson.

COMPANIES' TUG, 10 men a-side, over a ditch of water, end of rope to be pulled on opposite bank, Prize $10.

Eight lusty teams came forward to do battle for the honour of their respective companies. The first to pull were the D and G Companies' teams, captained by Corpl. Fox, and Pte. Taylor respectively. The latter proved the stronger team, and soon had the other men into the ditch, where four or five of the end ones stuck most obstinately, and others in front of them running back to get benefit of the bank to stick at, they got back a little of their rope, but their desperate struggling was in vain, for the D Company men, after about a quarter of an hour's tugging, got the rope across the water.

H and B Companies next entered the lists against each other but this pull was not so long as the previous one. As in the other contests the weaker side made their stand at the bank of the ditch, but the H Company men proved a good deal the stronger side, and after some few minutes dragged the rope through the knot of men hanging like a swarm of bees on to the bank. Corporal Bush captained H team and Private Connelly B team.

F and A Companies were next represented, and again there was a rather large balance of power on one side. The A men had their opponents into the ditch hand over hand, and even on the bank they made no great stand, for at every heave the rope went a bit more through them, and none was ever recovered. Private Andrews was captain of A team, and Private Neville of the other.

C and E companies' teams had the last of the preliminary pulls, and after a good hard contest the latter were victors. The captains were C, Private Mara, and E, Private Reilly.

The other pulls were postponed for lack of time till this morning, when they will be got over at Scandal Point.

BUCKET OF WATER RACE, 80 yards.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

This race was substituted for the pole jump. The competitors were Corporal Mann, Privates Mara, Drury, Bennett, Stone, Munnings, and Bush. Mara won well, and came in with plenty of water in his bucket, with Munnings third, but the latter took second honours on account of being more economical over the water. Time, 11 4-5ths seconds.

Pte. Mara (C Company) 1
Pte. Munnings (H Company).......... 2

NATIVE COOKS' RACE.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

About a dozen chinkies entered for this event, which was 26 4-5ths. seconds. The placed men were—

Afoo (E Company) 1
Ayow (E Company)..................... 2
Akwi (D Company)...................... 3

CONSOLATION RACE, 200 yards.—First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Privates Jones, Adams, Warner, Clark, Swindell, Mara, Shrubshell, Tapp, and Kirby. Tapp won a good race in 23 2-5ths seconds, whilst Mara, not the winner in so many other events, was second.

Pte. Tapp (A Company) 1
Pte. Mara (B Company) 2

BLUE JACKETS RACE, 100 yards. First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Demmer, Hall, G. Feore and W. Jones. The latter won somewhat easily, with Demmer second.

W. Jones (Curaçoa).................... 1
Demmer (Audacious) 2

MARINES' RACE, 100 Yards—First prize, $2; second, $1.

Entries: Bradley, Bellingham, Marley, Denley, and Dunn. Bradley won a good race in 12 2-5ths seconds, with Marley second, and Dunn third.

Pte. Bradley (Audacious)............... 1
Pte. Marley (Audacious)................ 2

The last two events were got up on the ground, and after they had been run, an open space was made for the presentation of the prizes to the successful athletes. Mr. Hobson kindly consented to hand the men their well earned rewards. To-day a regatta will wind up the Buffs' athletic carnival, the races to commence at two o'clock.

SUPREME COURT.

5th April.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, CHIEF JUSTICE, AND A SPECIAL JURY.

WONG YIK HIM v. TU SHUI WAN.

This was a suit for the specific performance of a contract to purchase certain land.

The Attorney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley), instructed by Messrs. Sharp, Toller, and Johnson, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Ewens, for the defendant.

The jurors were Messrs. J. R. Anton, A. E. Vaucher, C. C. Cohen, W. Legge, J. Bell-Irving, W. K. Hughes, and T. Jackson.

On the 17th September, 1881, an agreement was entered into whereby the plaintiff agreed to sell and the defendant to purchase inland lots Nos. 430 and 431 and marine lot 117, the contract to be completed on the 31st October. The property is situated at Wanchai, with godowns upon it, and on the other side of the praya is a piece of land reclaimed from the sea on which are standing a number of blocks of stone. The plaintiff had bought the land from Mr. H. W. Davis for $35,000, and he resold it to the defendant for $62,000, $7,000 being paid as bargain money. The making of the agreement was not disputed. The defence was that the defendant was induced to enter into the agreement by the representation of the plaintiff or his agents that the property comprised an area of 47,000 square feet, whereas in fact it only comprised an area of 34,800 feet; and that the plaintiff represented the reclamation on the other side of the praya and opposite the sea front of lot 117 was vested in him and was a portion of the total area making up the 47,000 square feet. This was denied by the plaintiff, and the question in dispute was whether in fact it was represented to the defendant that the reclamation was included in the property the defendant agreed to buy. The plaintiff, whose testimony was unsupported by other witnesses as to the main facts, gave evidence to the effect that all that was sold were the lots as he bought them, and that he did not know the area, and never stated that the reclamation was included. He denied having given the brokers certain instructions in writing which were produced in which the area was mentioned. On the other side the brokers engaged stated that the plaintiff pointed out the piece of land in question as part of that which was to be sold and that he signed the instructions in which the area was mentioned. The agreement was prepared by Messrs. Brereton, Wotton, and Deacon, and contained no statement of measurement, but there was a clause to the effect that the property was sold with all rights and benefits, if any, of extension seawards, but this was a printed form. Some evidence was given of a conversation which took place in Mr. Wotton's office when the bargain money was paid and instructions given for the drawing up of the agreement, but Mr. Wotton himself was not called, the reason, it was stated, being that Mr. Wotton did not recollect the circumstances. When the time for completion of the contract arrived, Messrs. Sharp, Toller, and Johnson wrote on behalf of the plaintiff to the defendant requesting him to make arrangements for executing the assignment. The defendant then placed the matter in the hands of Messrs. Brereton, Wotton, and Deacon, and a number of letters passed in reference to it. The defendant had requested Mr. Bird to survey the land and prepare plans for certain buildings, and Mr. Bird then informed him that the reclamation on the other side of the Praya, measuring about 12,000 square feet, belonged to the Government and could not be included in the property to be assigned. The defendant thereupon demanded a good title to the whole or an abatement of the price, but no arrangement was arrived at, and the present suit was instituted.

In answer to the special questions put by his Lordship the jury found that it was stated to the defendant by the agent of the plaintiff that the reclamation was included and that the lots together with the reclamation contained in the whole an area of 47,000 square feet (unanimously); that the agent was not authorised by the plaintiff to make that representation (by a majority of four to three); and, third, that the defendant agreed to purchase the lots upon the faith of that representation and in the belief that the reclamation was included and that the area of the property was 47,000 square feet or thereabouts (unanimously).

Mr. Francis said he would move the court on the answer to the third question that judgment be entered for the defendant.

His Lordship said the case must come on for further directions.

The foreman said the jury wished to remark that they considered it an extraordinary fact that Mr. Wotton had not been called in the case.

His Lordship said the reason Mr. Wotton had not been called was that he had no recollection of the circumstances.

POLICE COURT.

5th April.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE.

UNWHOLESOME FOOD.

Tim Ki and Wo To Siu, stall keepers, No. 34, Western Market, were summoned by Inspector Orley, for sending to the Slaughter House a measly pig. The charge was proved and defendants fined $10 each, or seven days' imprisonment.

OBSTRUCTION.

Kwok Kat Chew and Ho Apim, masters of a bamboo shop at Praya West, were fined $2 each for stacking bamboos on a certain footway.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

N. Murdoch, sailor, was charged with being drunk and incapable on the 4th instant, and was fined $1, or four days in gaol.

STRAGGLERS.

Charles McGregor, seaman, was charged with being a straggler from his ship, which he admitted. He was ordered to be sent on board.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

U Achan, coolie, was charged with the unlawful possession of 18 fish, value thirty cents. He said he got the fish from a ship where he had been working.

Fined $10, or one month's hard labour.

OPIUM CASES.

Mak Along, shop coolie, was convicted of possession of prepard opium without a licence, and was fined $25. The opium found to be forfeited.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Lau Ahi, cook, was committed for trial on a charge of stealing one coat and a pair of shoes, value $5, on the 15th ult. in the harbour on board the steamer *Saltee*. There were seven previous convictions recorded against the prisoner.

BEFORE CAPT. H. G. THOMSETT, R.N.

NUISANCE.

Yuen Mow, of No. 67, Tak Hing-lane, was summoned by Mr. James Clerihew, Inspector of Nuisances, for permitting an accumulation of noisome and offensive matter to remain in his cook-house. The charge was proved and defendant fined $2.

LARCENY.

Chun Atak, unemployed, was brought up on a charge of stealing a jacket, value $3, the property of U Hop, a married woman, on the 4th instant, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

UNWHOLESOME FOOD.

Kam Ki, owner of pork stall No. 2, Sai-ying-poon Market, was summoned by Inspector Orley for sending to the Slaughter House two sick pigs.

Defendant said he was not aware that the pigs were diseased.

Fined $20.

LARCENY.

Li See Mui, coolie, and Chan Sze Man, head coolie, were charged by Mr. Geo. Ferguson, engineer, of the East Point Sugar Refinery, with stealing one firing shovel, two baskets, and fifty feet of leather band, value about $40, on the 5th inst. The charge was fully proved against the second defendant and he was fined $20, in default two months' hard labour. The first defendant was discharged.

ROBBING THE GOVERNMENT.

Chan Afuk, coal coolie, was convicted of stealing one copper hammer, one chisel and one padlock, from H. M. Naval Coalsheds at Kowloon, on the 5th instant, and was sent to gaol for three months with hard labour.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in this company was held on the 29th March at the offices of the company in Hankow Road, Shanghai. Mr. E. H. Lavers, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presided, and there were also present:—Messrs. F. H. Bell, D. Brand, J. A. Hawes, H. R. Hearn, A. G. Wood (Directors), P. McGregor Grant, J. Beattie, E. G. Low, J. Morris, W. Brit, H. Ruttmann, E. O. Arbuthnot, H. J. Such, E. Cameron, A. Anderson, S. Davis, A. Burman, A. Dent, C. S. Sharp, A. J. H. Carlill, E. J. Hogg, R. Francis, J. G. Pardon, W. G. Bayne, W. H. Short, E. Moses, J. S. Ezekiel, F. A. Burchardi, E. Wheeler, W. White, T. Wood, A. C. Westall, J. H. B. Allen, J. F. Cheetham, P. Maclean, Emil Burmeister, Carl Jantzen, J. Sharp, E. Tasmeyer, H. De C. Forbes, J. M. Young, B. H. Burns, P. G. Hubbe, G. A. Lindsay, W. C. Ward, W. Pardon, R. Mackenzie, R. Horne Boyd, W. H. Aretz, J. F. Seaman, A. Ilbert, F. Stokes, R. A. Letchford, J. A. Taylor, P. Arnold, A. J. M. Inverarity, T. Latham (Legal Adviser to the Company), and H. S. Morris (Secretary), representing 802 shares.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, the requisite number of shareholders being present and representing more than the necessary number of shares, we will commence the business. Mr. Morris will read the notice.

Mr. H. S. MORRIS, Secretary, accordingly read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—The expediency of adopting measures whereby the liability of the Shareholders may be defined and limited, and the Company placed upon a proper legal basis, has engaged the attention of the Directors for the past eight years, and we find a growing feeling in mercantile circles that an essential feature of a public company is limited liability. This is made self-evident by the number of institutions that have altered their constitution in this respect during the last few years. As most Shareholders are aware, we have been doing our utmost to bring about the extension of the Joint Stock Company Acts of England to China, which would have enabled us to register the Company here, but the Foreign Office, although showing every disposition to meet our views, apparently regard the legal and technical difficulties as insuperable, more particularly as regards the admission of non-British shareholders, and to deprive the Company of its cosmopolitan character would of course be most detrimental to its interests. The Directors have therefore determined, after much careful consideration, to recommend registration in London, where we have a number of shareholders, and where our business has assumed important dimensions. It is not, however, the intention to remove the Head Office from Shanghai, or to divert the control of affairs. The semi-annual meeting of Shareholders will still be held, and in fact all the main features of the existing Company will be maintained. Our object is to obtain the advantages of being a limited liability Company, for which purpose we shall have a registered office in London and comply with all the requirements of the Joint Stock Company Acts. In order to attain this it becomes necessary in a legal sense to dissolve the present co-partnership, although there will not be any practical suspension of the business of the Company. I may here mention that our friends at home, apprehending danger of the title of the Company being appropriated by strangers, have already, with our concurrence, registered the North China Insurance Company, Limited. I now beg to propose the first resolution, namely—"That the Company be wound up and dissolved for the purpose of constituting a Company under the name of the North-China Insurance Company, Limited, which shall be registered in England under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1880 as a Company with liability limited by shares."

Mr. A. G. WOOD—I beg to second the motion.

The CHAIRMAN—Before putting the resolution to the meeting I shall be glad to answer any question you may put with regard to it.

No questions were asked, and on the motion being put to the meeting, it was unanimously carried.

The CHAIRMAN said—Before proposing the second resolution, I must ask you to read it with the following slight amendment, viz.: after the word Company in the fourth line insert the words—*to the North-China Insurance Company, Limited*. As the present co-partnership is to be dissolved, it becomes necessary that authority should be given to transfer the business to the new limited company and carry out all the details involved therein. An agreement will be drawn up and signed by parties on either side for the sale of the property for a consideration equal in amount to the present paid up Capital and the Reserve Fund at a given date, in exchange for which shares will be given in the New, and any surplus assets, after liquidation of the current business, will be divided amongst the shareholders in the old company, in accordance with the provisions of the Deed of Settlement. With these remarks I beg to propose—"That the Court of Directors be authorised to sell and dispose of the property, assets and business of the company on such terms and conditions as they may consider desirable and to enter into and execute all such agreements and contracts and to do all such acts and things as they may consider necessary or desirable for carrying into effect these resolutions."

Mr. F. H. BELL—I beg to second the resolution.

The CHAIRMAN said he should be glad to answer any questions with regard to the motion.

No questions being asked, the Chairman put the motion to the meeting and it was unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN—With regard to the next resolution which I have to bring before the meeting, I may remark that it is not the intention, unless some unforeseen circumstances should cause us to determine otherwise, to commence business under the new constitution until the 1st January, 1884, so that in the meantime, and for the purposes of the dissolution of this company, the present deed of settlement will continue in force. I now propose the third resolution of which notice has been given. It reads—

That until the above resolutions have been carried into effect and the property, assets and business have been transferred to and vested in the new company the deed of settlement and all the terms and provisions therefore shall have full force and effect.

Mr. H. R. HEARN—I have much pleasure in seconding the motion.

No response being made to an offer from the Chairman to answer any questions which the shareholders might wish to ask, the motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN.—Gentlemen, the resolution you have just passed really concludes the business for which this meeting was convened, but as many of the shareholders present, in fact we hope all who can contribute business and lend valuable support, will be interested in the new limited Company, I may mention that active steps are being taken to organise it, and as already stated the Company is registered in London and its Memorandum of Association has just come to hand. A suitable Deed of Settlement is in the course of preparation and will be sent home shortly to be filed by the Registrar. The Circular already distributed will have informed you as to the most important changes which will appear in the new company. A meeting to confirm the business of the present meeting will be called between fourteen and thirty days;—most likely it will be held after the ordinary general meeting, which will take place about the middle of the month.

The meeting then dissolved.—*N. C. Daily News.*

TIENTSIN.

23rd March.

On the 21st inst., Prince Li of Korea arrived at this place from Pao-ting Fu, and had an interview with the Customs Tao-t'ai. To-morrow he will visit their Excellencies Li and Chang. It is rumoured here that the Dai In Kun has actually gone to Peking to petition the Empress for permission to return to Korea. An interview took place on the 20th between Herr von Möllendorff, the two Korean envoys, and Li Hung-chang. Mr. Tong King-sing was also present. It is said that an arrangement has been come to by which Mr. Tong is to work the iron and coal mines at Chü-chao in Anhui, and Mr. Yang the copper-mines. Many, however, who are very well informed, contradict the report.

Ma Kien-chung appears to have altered his intention with regard to coming to Tientsin to see Li Hung-chang, and will call upon his Excellency in Anhui. The younger brother of Mr. Tong King-sing, who went last autumn to Annam, has arrived here with two Annamese envoys. The principal one is named Fan Chen-shui, the second Yuen Shu. They have not been able to see Li yet on account of the sickness of the former.

To-day, at 4 a.m., Mr. Tong King-sing left in a steam-launch for Kai-ping, whence it is said he will return in about six days. Rumour has it that he has postponed his trip to Europe at the request of Li.

H.M.S. *Zephyr* arrived here last night on a flying visit.

News reaches us from Peking that His Imperial Highness the Seventh Prince has placed the opening of the Tsz-tang iron and coal mines, and the railroad in connection therewith, in the hands of Shui; and it is further said that Mr. Tong will not participate in this enterprise, being fully and honourably employed elsewhere. —*N. C. Daily News* Correspondent.

24th March.

That right and a determined will surmount obstacles has been ably illustrated of late by Mr. von Möllendorff; whom His Excellency Li Hung-chang admitted was right in the step taken by him in opposition to Mr. Tong King-sing's schemes in Korea; they went there together, and thence Mr. Tong King-sing had to return with his staff, the same as he left Chefoo, at the request of the Korean Government, without entering into any business relations; so that up to the present Korea is as much closed to China as to any other foreign nation until their Trading Regulations are ratified.

Prince Tsau, whom Mr. von Möllendorff accompanied to Korea, the framer of the United States Treaty, got disgraced, it is said, on his arrival at Seoul, because he wore partly Chinese clothing, and it is said that is the reason why he did not return with Mr. von Möllendorff. That gentleman left this morning per *El Dorado* in company with those envoys. General Wu Chang-ching, with another lot of Korean envoys arrived in a Chinese gunboat from Korea. What a quantity of envoys Korea dispatches.

It is said that the Seventh Prince has placed the Tsai Tang Coal and Railroad affairs in Shui's hands and that Mr. Tong King-sing will have something to do with it.

At the meeting held by the Customs Taotai, his assistants and the Consuls, the money received from the Wharfage dues and expended on the new road was passed and it was agreed that the collection of Wharfage dues remain as last year and that the amount voted for the new road be continued, not to exceed Tls. 14.85 per 2 chang; this is to be approved of by the Ministers at Peking; this was carried and all present signed.

A good deal of grumbling arose because last year the Customs offered to collect Wharfage dues free of any charges, yet for the year ended 31st Dec., the Customs circular showed expenses of collection Tls. 677 8m. 8c. 7 cash.

H.E. Li Hung-chang will leave on 14th April per steamer *Hasan*, that is, if he does not change his mind, and decide to leave on the 29th, the day when the Viceroy takes over charge.

26th March.

On the evening of the 24th the Annamese envoy had an interview with their Excellencies Li and Chang, the result of which is not known as yet.

To-day a circular was sent as follows:—

Tientsin, 26th March, 1883.

Rates of freight by steamers of the undermentioned will until further notice be the same as those jointly circulated at the commencement of the season with the exception of the tariff on Treasure, which without insurance has been fixed at 2½ per mille (which is still ¼ per cent.

Signed { W. GUBBINS, C. M. S. N. Co., W. FORBES.

It is said that the arrangement that is, no matter which company's steamer receives or carries the freight, it is to be divided between them as follows: 40 per cent to the China Merchants' S. N. Co; 30 per cent Jardine, Matheson & Co.; 30 per cent Butterfield and Swire; at the tariff rate of freight they throw in a sprat, namely ½ per cent of Insurance included in the amount of freight; so secure the insurance to themselves and deprive other insurance offices of it.

Was all this known last autumn to Li Hung-chang when he memorialized the Emperor and protested against the opposition Chinese Steam Navigation Co., under the patronage of Tso and Hoo Sing-an, being started for ten years hence, so as to enable the present China Merchants' Co. to make good their losses and facilitate the formation of the new combination?—*Mercury* Correspondent.

SAD OCCURRENCE AT YOKOHAMA.

At half-past two o'clock on the morning of the 14th ult. the premises, No. 52, Yokohama, occupied by Mr. E. Jacot, watchmaker and jeweller, were discovered to be on fire. As usual the Fire Brigade Engines were quickly in attendance, and by dint of great energy and tact the flames were ultimately subdued, and the adjoining buildings saved. The proprietor seems to have had a very narrow escape with his life. It appears that he retired to rest at midnight, and the first intimation he had of the danger by which he was surrounded was the noise of the glass panes being broken in his offices. A few seconds after cries of fire reached his ears. Quickly he arose, and opened his door. To his dismay he found the fire below him had communicated with the staircase by which he would have to descend. One exit only from the burning building was possible, and as the fire was already so close to him as to singe his hair, it did not take him long to make up his mind. Drawing his bedstead to the window, he knotted a sheet round the leg of it, and lowered himself to the ground, but before he reached *terra firma* his feet came into contact with a piece of zinc protruding from the building. Underneath the fire was raging, and consequently the moment his feet alighted on this, they were badly burnt. Upon examination of the office where the fire is supposed to have originated, a large hole was discovered to have been made in the fire-proof vault. This, evidently, was for purposes of plunder, but how much property has been taken has not yet been ascertained. After accomplishing their object, they set fire to the house, and then decamped. The whole of the furniture was destroyed, and the house completely gutted. We believe that the building is insured in the Sun Fire Office. The stock, to the value of $29,000, in the Hongkong, and Queen Fire Insurance Cos., and the furniture in the Commercial Union Assurance Co.—*Japan Herald.*

A survey of the premises, says the *Gazette*, by experts and representatives of the insurance companies concerned, leaves no doubt that the fire was the work of an incendiary. A hole was discovered in the roof of the brick vault which contained the valuable stock of jewellery, and on the door of the vault being removed it was found that several watches and other articles had been stolen. A quantity of straw was also found inside the vault and on the office floor. During the early part of the evening Mr. Jacot was absent, so the probability is that this was the time the thief did his work at the vault, setting fire to the premises after Mr. Jacot had retired to rest.

A most melancholy episode in connection with the fire was the disappearance of Mr. Jacot. At an early hour on the 26th ult. Mr. Jacot took a boat and went down the bay ostensibly for Tomioka, but soon afterwards he shot himself. The *sendoes* immediately returned, and gave information to the police, who communicated with the Swiss Consul-General. At the inquest, a verdict was returned that deceased had shot himself whilst of unsound mind.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPIUM.

THURSDAY, 5th April.

Sales of Patna and New Benares at $575 to $577½, and of Old Benares at $557½.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, on demand.........3/7½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight...3/7¾
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/8
Credits, at 4 months' sight ...3/8¼
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/8¼

ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 4.60
Credits, at 4 months' sight......4.67

ON BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, sight 72¼
Private, 30 days' sight............73¼

SHARES.

A fair lot of Docks have been placed to-day at 60 per cent. for cash, closing with buyers at this rate. Sugars have been placed at $205 for cash and $206 for the end of the month, Hongkong Fires at $1,410 and $1,425 for cash, Chinas at $365 Yangtszes at Tls. 1,050 and Traders at $2,900. Chinese Insurances have found buyers at $208 for cash. Banks close firm at 194 per cent. premium for cash.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—New Issue 153 per cent. premium.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—New Issue 153 per cent. premium.

Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$750 per share.

China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$2,900 per share.

North China Insurance—Tls. 1,000 per share.

Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 1,100 per share.

Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$208 per share.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$135 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$1,425 per share.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$365 per share.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—60 per cent. premium.

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$36 premium.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—par.

China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited, —20 per cent. premium.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$82 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$165 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$205 per share.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.

Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$106 per share.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$165 per share.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited —$85 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1874—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—Nominal.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1878—2 per cent. prem.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2½ per cent. prem.

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

6TH TO 12TH APRIL, 1883.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water. Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
F.	6	m 8 12	3 3	m 2 1	—0 6
		n 24 a	4 4	1 56 a	—1 6
Sat.	7	m 8 41	3 0	m 2 35	—0 6
		9 13 a	4 3	2 41 a	—0 11
S.	8	m 9 13	4 3	m 3 10	—0 4
		10 0 a	3 11	3 34 a	—1 8
M.	9	m 9 48	4 7	m 3 41	—0 1
		10 41 a	3 6	4 25 a	—1 5
Tu.	10	m 10 24	4 10	m 4 19	0 3
		11 42 a	3 11	5 17 a	—1 5
W.	11	m 11 3	4 10	m 4 54	—0 7
				6 12 a	—1 3
Th.	12	m 0 48	3 6	m 5 30	0 11
		m 11 49	4 9	7 12 a	—0 11

The height of mean sea-level has been determined at 7.595 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard; and the Low-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 5.595 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus (—) sign are below Low-Water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constants given above.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)

April 5th.

Barometer—9 A.M.	29.910
Barometer—1 P.M.	29.854
Barometer—4 P.M.	29.824
Thermometer—9 A.M.	73
Thermometer—1 P.M.	76
Thermometer—4 P.M.	76
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	73
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—Maximum	78
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	69

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

April 5th.

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.	HONGKONG. Previous day at 4 P.M.	HONGKONG. On date at 10 A.M.	AMOY. Previous day at 4 P.M.	AMOY. On date at 10 A.M.	SHANGHAI. Previous day at 4 P.M.	SHANGHAI. On date at 10 A.M.	MANILA. On date at 10 A.M.	MANILA. On date at 4 P.M.
Barometer	29.83	29.86	29.80	29.79	29.93	29.69	30.04	.992
Thermometer attached	75.0	75.9	77.0	68.0	55.5	55.0	83.9	87.2
Direction of Wind	SE	E	E	E	ESE	N	NW	SW
Force	5	5	2	1	5	8	2	1
Dry Thermometer	75.0	75.5	77.0	68.0	55.0	54.5	89.0	91.9
Wet Thermometer	70.0	72.0	64.0	65.0	52.0	54.0	76.5	78.2
Weather	o.c.b.	o.c.r.	o.c.	o c.	o.r.	o.d.	b.	b.
Hour's Rain	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quantity fallen	—	0.15	—	—	—	0.82	—	—

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens, and hundreds.

THERMOMETER, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation.

DIRECTION OF WIND is registered every two points, N. N.N.E., N.E., &c.

FORCE OF WIND.—0 calm. 1 to 3 light breeze. 3 to 5 moderate. 5 to 7 fresh. 7 to 8 strong. 8 to 10 heavy. 10 to 12 violent.

STATE OF WEATHER.—*B.* Clear blue sky. *C.* Cloudy. *D.* Drizzly. *F.* Fog. *G.* Foggy. *H.* Hail. *L.* Lightning. *M.* Misty. *O.* Overcast. *P.* Passing showers. *Q.* Squally. *R.* Rainy. *S.* Snow. *T.* Thunder. *U.* Bad, threatening. *V.* Visibility. *W.* Storm. *Z.* Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification.

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Hongkong, 28th August, 1882. [425

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1881. [1261

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1883. [334

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1883. [262

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1881. [20

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1868. [12

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents for Phœnix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 5th August, 1881. [17

NOTICE.

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. [680

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Hongkong, January 1882. [913

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HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL (FULLY SUBSCRIBED) Tls. 1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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CHING TO CHAI, Esq. | YIP YU TIN, Esq.
and ten others.
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HO SHEN CHEE,
Secretary.

Head Office, Hankow Road,
Shanghai, 1st June, 1882. [1092

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Hongkong, 3rd June, 1879. [1046

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Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [14

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 26th May, 1881. [2

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Hongkong, 4th May, 1881. [847

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1879.

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WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [527

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Hongkong, 26th July, 1872. [13

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, HAVRE, &c.	Merionethshire (str.)	Read		Adamson, Bell & Co.	On or about 6th April
LONDON via SUEZ CANAL	Hector (str.)	Billings		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 12th inst.
LONDON, via SUEZ CANAL	Diomed (str.)	Jackson		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 8th April
LONDON, &c., via SUEZ CANAL	Ancona (str.)	E. G. Stead		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, via SUEZ, &c.	Sindh (str.)	Lequerré		Messageries Maritimes	On 10th April, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, via SAIGON, &c	Golconde (str.)	Andrae		Adamson, Bell & Co.	On or about 18th April
HAMBURG	Kjobenhavn	N. Maglebye		Pustau & Co.	Quick despatch.
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NEW YORK	C. B. Hazeltine	Gilkey	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
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SAN FRANCISCO	Wandering Jew	Talpey	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO, via Y'HAMA	City of Tokio (str.)			P. M. S. S. Co.	On 13th inst., at 3 P.M.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	Euxine (str.)	J. B. Peters		Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA, B. C.	P. Nordenskjold	Jensen	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA	Menzaleh (str.)	Homery		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA, via NAGASAKI, &c.	Sumatra (str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 13th inst., at NOON.
YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO	Cassandra (str.)	Wagner	Hongkong	Siemssen & Co.	On or about 9th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE, &c	Sumida-Maru (str.)	Hubenet		M. B. M. S. S. Co.	On 13th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Ava (str.)	Bretel		Messageries Maritimes	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Menelaus (str.)	Lapage		Butterfield & Swire	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Golconde (str.)	Andrae		Adamson, Bell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI	Posang (str.)	Irvine	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	Patroclus (str.)	Riley		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 12th inst.
SHANGHAI	Brindisi (str.)			P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI via AMOY	Antenor (str.)	Bragg		Butterfield & Swire	On or about 9th inst.
MANILA	Emuy (str.)	Rementeria		Remedios & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MANILA via AMOY	Lido (str.)	Lewis		Russell & Co.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOY, & F'CHOW	Namoa (str.)	Westoby	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 8th inst., Daylight.
SWATOW, AMOY, &c.	China (str.)	H. Schoer	Hongkong	Yuen Fat Hong	To-morrow, Daylight.
SWATOW	Thales (str.)	Peacock	Hongkong	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	On 9th inst., at NOON.

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 11th May, 1881. [16

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

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Sun Fire Office.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1881. [15

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [1824

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GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1882. [18

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1883. [666

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THE Steamship

"LIDO,"

Captain Lewis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 7th instant, at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [676

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship

"NAMOA,"

Captain Westoby, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th instant, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [672

STEAM TO BOMBAY VIA STRAITS.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"LOMBARDY,"

will leave for the above place at FOUR P.M., on TUESDAY, the 10th April.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [657

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW, and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"PATROCLUS,"

Captain Riley, will be despatched on or about the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [678

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI, WITH OPTION OF CALLING AT HIOGO, (Passing through the INLAND SEA).

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"SUMATRA,"

will leave for the above place on FRIDAY, the 13th April, at 12 (NOON) O'CLOCK.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"DIOMED,"

Captain Jackson, will be despatched on or about the 8th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883. [502

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BRINDISI,"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English mail.

A. McIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"HECTOR,"

Captain Billings, will be despatched on or about the 12th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [588

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW, and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"ANTENOR,"

Captain Bragg, will be despatched on or about the 9th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883. [658

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(Taking Cargo at through rates for NEW YORK.)

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Read, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about the 6th proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1883. [239

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR,

FRAISSINET & Co.

INDIA AND CHINA LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Splendid New 100 A 1 Steamship

"GOLCONDE,"

Andrae, Commander, expected here on or about the 4th proximo, will have immediate despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1883. [655

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship

"AVA,"

Commandant Bretel, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship

"MENZALEH,"

Commandant Homery, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

FOR HAMBURG, DIRECT.

THE 3/3 L I I Danish Bark

"KJOBENHAVN,"

N. Maglebye, Master, shortly expected here will load as above and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [671

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

FRAISSINET & Co.

INDIA AND CHINA LINE.

THE Splendid New 100 A 1 Steamship

"GOLCONDE,"

Andrae, Commander, will sail on or about the 18th April, for MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ; and with leave to call at PENANG and TUTICORIN. In connection with these Steamers the Company runs a Line from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON, leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a forwarding Agency at Paris, 9, RUE DE ROUGEMONT, giving special facilities to Shippers.

This Steamer is excellently fitted for Passengers, to whose comfort and accommodation special care is given, a liberal table is kept. Each steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewardess.

FARES	1ST CLASS.	2ND CLASS.
Hongkong to Marseilles	$300	$240.

RETURN TICKETS are now granted by the Steamers of this line from HONGKONG to MARSEILLES and BACK, available for the undermentioned periods, to be reckoned from the date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer for which the Ticket is issued to the date of reembarkation there of the Holder of the Ticket.

	1ST CLASS.	2ND CLASS
6 Months	$520	$410.
12 "	560	445.

Special rates are arranged for families.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1883. [483

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"WANDERING JEW,"

Talpey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1883. [543

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Ship

"MARY WHITRIDGE,"

Freeman, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 16th March, 1883. [544

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Bark

"C. B. HAZELTINE,"

Gilkey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1883. [513

FOR VICTORIA, B. C.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. Norwegian Barkentine

"PROFESSOR NORDENSKJOLD,"

Jensen, Master, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong 27th February, 1883. [411

FOR SAN FRANCISCO,

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"B. P. CHENEY,"

Humphreys, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1883. [395

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA; ALSO, BOMBAY.

ON TUESDAY, the 10th day of April, 1883, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "SINDH," Commandant Lequerré, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until NOON of 9th April, 1883.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 9th April, 1883. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1883

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer "CITY OF TOKIO," will be despatched for San Francisco, viâ Yokohama and Honolulu, on FRIDAY, the 13th April, 1883, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, viâ Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 °/. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 °/. will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 °/. from Return Fare. *These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 12th April. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1883.

MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE, VIA INLAND SEA.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKOHAMA).

THE "SUMIDA-MARU," Captain HUBENET, due here on or about the 8th inst., will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, at FOUR P.M.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to ONE P.M., of the day of Sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under $2 Freight.

All Claims for Damage must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs. Russell & Co.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Agent.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON; ALSO BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK, AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "ANCONA," Captain E. G. Stead, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, viâ BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL on TUESDAY, the 17th April, at FOUR P.M.

Cargo will be received on board and Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until TEN A.M., on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed viâ Bombay, without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route viâ Colombo.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

CHEAP RESERVED ACCOMMODATION can be obtained in this Company's Steamers; for particulars apply at the Office.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1883.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

AMOY, Brit. str., C. Herrmann.—Siemssen & Co.
CARNATIC, Brit. bark, A. McPhail.—Order.
CHINA, Ger. steamer, Schoer.—Yuen Fat Hong.
CITY OF TOKIO, Am. str., Maury.—P. M. S. S. Co.
CYPRUS, Brit. schooner, Johnson.—Captain.
ERNST, Ger. bark, Pundh.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
EDDERSIDE, Brit. ship, Chas. Lane.—Borneo Co.
ELLEN, Brit. bark, C. Hodge.—Arnhold Karberg & Co.
HARVARD, Am. bark, S. Pray.—Captain.
JAPAN, Brit. str., F. F. Flack.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
JOHN WORSTER, Am. bark, Houghton.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
JONATHAN BOURNE, Amr. bark, Doane.—Russell & Co.
LENNOX, Brit. steamer, Scott.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MERCURY, Am. ship, Panno.—Chinese.
PAPA, Ger. bark, Baunem.—Siemssen & Co.
ROSSLYN, Brit. steamer, McKechnie.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
SCHWAN, Dan. brig, Schroder.—Siemssen & Co.
WANDERING JEW, Am. ship, Talpey.—Russell & Co.
WM. MANSON, British bark, H. Kindred.—Russell & Co.

"JAPAN GAZETTE,"
YOKOHAMA.

HAVING been appointed AGENT in HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary," and "Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Advertisements will be received at this Office.

Hongkong Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1877.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Ava*, with the next French mail, left Saigon at noon, on the 5th, and is due here on the 9th instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer *Gaelic*, with the next American mail, will leave Yokohama on the 8th, and is due here on or about the 13th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The E. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Menmuir* left Port Darwin on the 27th March, and is due here on or about the 6th April.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Anicnor* left Singapore on the afternoon of the 31st March, and is due here on the 8th April.

The steamship *Glenfruin*, from London, left Singapore on 3rd and may be looked for here on or about the 9th instant.

The N. I. steamer *Camorta* left Batavia for this port via Saigon on the 1st, and may be expected here on or about the 16th instant.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

☞ The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Hoihow and Haifong.—Per *Sullee*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 7.30 A.M.

For Manila.—Per *Francisco Reyes*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

For Saigon.—Per *Rosslyn*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., &c.—Per *Euxine*, to-day, the 6th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, Tamsui, and Taiwanfoo. —Per *China*, to-day, the 6th inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Namoa*, to-morrow, the 7th inst., at 5.00 P.M.

For Saigon.—Per *Catharina II.*, on Sunday, the 8th instant, at 9.00 A.M.

For Swatow.—Per *Thales*, on Monday, the 9th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Lombardy*, on Tuesday, the 10th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki and Kobe.—Per *Sumida Maru*, on Friday, the 13th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet:—

Day of Departure.

NOON.—Money Order Office closes.
2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until
3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until time of departure.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

Day before Departure.

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours.

Day of Departure.

7 A.M., Post Office opens.
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until
11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.
11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet "SINDH," will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 10th April, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *via* Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (viâ Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet "CITY OF TOKIO," will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 13th instant, with Mails for Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 P.M., Registry ceases.
2.30 P.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet "ANCONA," will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 17th inst., with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australasian Colonies.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MONEY LETTERS.

Public attention is called to the following extract from the Hongkong Postal Guide, Paragraph 60:—

"The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes &c., and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters."

Boxes of letters are sometimes received at the Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the box is fastened with sealing wax, but there is no impression of a *seal*.

The attention of boxholders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with some recognisable seal, and of sending a slip book or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former, as to whether part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamps.

No responsibility can be accepted by the Post Office for erroneous replies to verbal enquiries, or to notes addressed to subordinate officers. The shroffs told off to sell stamps should especially not be regarded as able to give correct information. The Postal Guide alone is the standard on all points on which such information may be required.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

Letters, per ½ oz.	10 Cents
Post Cards, each	3 Cents
Books, Patterns, and Commercial Papers, per 2 oz.	2 Cents.
Newspapers & Prices Current, each	2 Cents.
Registration	10 Cents.
Do. with return receipt	15 Cents.

Commercial papers signify such papers as, though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge is the same as for Books, but all packets of and under 4 oz. weight are charged 5 Cents.

TEA MUSTERS.

Persons who send Musters of Tea through the Post in Tins are requested to have them made flat or square instead of round, as it is impossible to pack round tins securely in the mail bags. It is believed that the tea will travel more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable as round ones to be bulged in.

4 by 3 by 1½ inches is suggested as a good size. The tins should not have sharp corners.

LETTERS FOR THE UNITED STATES BY SAILING SHIP.

When it is desired to forward letters to the United States by a sailing ship which is not notified as carrying a mail, it's only necessary to post the letters in the ordinary way, marked with the name of the ship, and prepaid 10 cents per half ounce as usual. The Post Office then undertakes the duty of obtaining notice of departure and despatching the correspondence. It is requested that the letters be posted if possible at least one day before the date fixed for sailing

EXTRACTS.

PRIZE THE PASSING DAY.

Stay, sweet Day, for thou art fair,
Fair, and full and calm;
Crowned through all by golden hours,
With Love's brightest, richest flowers,
Strong in Faith's unshaken powers,
Blest in hope's pure balm.

Stay, what chance and change may wait,
As you glide away;
Now is all so glad and bright;
Now we breathe in sure delight;
Now we laugh in Fate's despite;
Stay with us, sweet day.

Ah, she cannot, may not stop;
All things must decay;
Then with heart and hand and will,
Take the joy that lingers still,
Prize the pause in wrong and ill,
Prize the passing day.

—*All the Year Round.*

LIFE IN THE FAR WEST.

A constable in Nevada, who is also editor of the *Ruby Hill Mining News*, publishes a farewell address in that paper on resigning his official appointment. It runs as follows:—"We step down and out with a feeling of relief. We are a few grains heavier than when we assumed the responsibilities of keeping the peace of this neighbourhood, having during that time acquired what might be termed lead poisoning. Weyburn's bullet we continually carry in our lung, and it is constant reminder to us that life is uncertain. Since we have been constable of this town our receipts from that office have been 300 dollars less than what it cost us to get partially cured of our bullet wound."

ROUND DANCES, BEER, AND RELIGION.

Disagreeable differences have arisen among the Catholics at Wheeling, West Virginia, on matters relating to round dances and beer. Some little time ago the Diocesan Synod, at a meeting held in the city, passed a statute forbidding round dances and the sale of beer at entertainments given by Catholic societies; and a pastoral letter was issued ordering all Catholic societies to enrol themselves as such and submit their constitution for approval by the 1st of January last—all not doing so to be denied the privileges accorded to regular Catholic societies. This order was not obeyed by a German Catholic society known as the "Knights of St. John," who, moreover, on the night of the 23rd of January gave a ball at which beer was sold and round dancing indulged in; the object being to test this question, which has caused much excitement among the German Catholics. In the meantime, a letter of condemnation from the Bishop of Wheeling against the Knights of St. John was read in all the Catholic churches on the 28th of January ordering all Catholics to withdraw from the society before the 1st of March, under pain of excommunication. This order has had the effect of making the Knights of St. John drink beer and dance "round dances" more furiously than ever; and the German press characterizes the action of the Bishop as an outrage on the freedom of the German members of his Church.—*St. James's Gazette.*

THE COMTE DE CHAMBORD AND THE ORLEANIST PRINCES.

A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* at Paris writes:—"The visit of the Comte de Paris to Frohsdorf in 1873 has been called in and out of the Chamber 'the act of a Pretender.' I have been assured by a French nobleman who was engaged in the preliminary negotiations which led to that step that it was, on the contrary, a renunciation of all pretensions not arising from descent from the brother of Louis Quatorze.' It appears that the Comte de Chambord intended to reserve the eventual rights of his wife's nephew, Don Carlos, who was then engaged in a civil war in Spain, and who on the death of his uncle-in-law will be, in the order of primogeniture, the head of the house of France, he being descended from Louis Quatorze. If this Pretender had succeeded in obtaining the Spanish Crown, the Comte de Paris would have stood next to the Comte de Chambord. When Carlos was ultimately defeated, and Alphonso restored, the former was hailed in the Faubourg St. Germain as Dauphin. It now appears that, finding him 'impossible,' it has been agreed by the heads of the Legitimist party in France, with the assent of the Comte de Chambord, to put forward Don Jaime, who is a pupil of the Jesuits at Beaumont. The mother of the youthful Prince is now at Cannes, where she has met a number of French Carlists. As to the other conditions imposed on the Comte de Paris, I am, moreover, told, on the authority above mentioned, that they were the visit to Frohsdorf and a little speech which the Orleans Prince was to make on being received by his 'Sovereign and cousin.' The Legitimists perceived that the sons of Louis Philippe took greatly to heart the recovery of their military grades, and of those estates confiscated in 1852 which had not been sold. It was ascertained by the uncles of the Comte de Paris that the unsold residue was valued at 49 millions of francs, or nearly two million sterling. As it was thought by the Legitimists that in urging their claim to this fortune they would render themselves odious to the French nation, they were encouraged to assert it. A pledge was given that if the Comte de Paris visited Frohsdorf and renounced all pretensions to the throne which were not derived from the Regent's father, the Chambordists in the Assembly would help the Princes to obtain the 49 millions of francs, their military and naval grades, and the repeal of the law of proscription. The Comte de Chambord cherished the idea of a Bourbon restoration in France, Spain, and Italy and when it was effected of devoting himself to an old age of pious contemplation, leaving to the Comte de Paris the task of governing in his name. For a whole night he remained in prayer. The next night he received, as he thought, celestial inspiration in a dream. In pursuance with it, he determined to issue a manifesto against the tricolour flag. This move disconcerted the D'Orléans, but did not cause them to alter their strategy. Its only result so far as they were concerned was to delay the visit of the Comte de Paris to Frohsdorf, and to throw the liberal Orleanists over to the side of Thiers. Then came the 24th May. The Legitimists had fulfilled in the Assembly their promises, and called upon the D'Orléans to execute their part of the contract. In September, when the war indemnity had been paid and the Germans had cleared out of the eastern provinces, the Comte de Paris started for Frohsdorf. He did everything that he promised, but, it was there thought, he accentuated over much the obligation under which he and his uncles stood to live on good terms with the Republic, albeit retaining their historical position as members of the Royal House of France. The Comte de Chambord, as he had beforehand resolved, felicitated his visitor on his attitude. So long as the Republic was Republican and orderly, so long as it did not become an instrument of Jacobin tyranny and impiety, the Comte de Chambord would regard neutrality as a duty. When the Duc de Nemours and the Prince de Joinville followed in the wake of the Comte de Paris and visited the King *in partibus* he talked to them in the same strain."

HOW OYSTERS WERE FLAVOURED FOR A ROYAL PALATE.

It is recorded of the first monarch of the House of Hanover that he objected to the English native oyster as being deficient in flavour. It was privately suggested by a shrewd courtier that the native oyster should be allowed to become somewhat stale before being brought to the Royal table. The King at once recognised the flavour which had always pleased him so much at Herrenhausen, and gave orders that in future he should always be supplied from that particular bed. —*Good Words.*

A LIVELY OLD MOUSE.

In these days of widespread culture it is scarcely surprising to find that even the backwoodsman, living far away from the haunts of civilization, is ready to devote some of his sparse leisure to the investigation of problems in natural history. This particular backwoodsman is an American. The account is taken from his "notes." In the "fall" of '79, while digging in a bank, he unearthed a mouse, "frozen stiff and apparently dead." The mouse was taken home as a curiosity, and thrown carelessly on the floor. After a little while he began to show signs of returning consciousness, opened his eyes, and began to breathe slowly, "blinking like a veritable Rip Van Winkle," and eventually hopped about "as lively as possible." As the animal had evidently been in a torpid state for some time, the backwoodsman determined to try some experiments. Every two or three nights he put the mouse out of doors. On opening the cage in the morning it would be "as hard as a butternut," but, upon thawing, was "as active as ever." One night the unfortunate mouse was thrust out of doors, the thermometer registering 30 deg. below zero; but even this did not kill him. Eight times was he subjected to this freezing process; each time he came round. When spring came, the mouse lost his appetite and died an apparently natural death. The body of this remarkable animal was 3½ inches long; he could easily clear 4 or 5 feet at a hop. "Many insects freeze up in the winter and thaw out in the spring," adds the naturalist; "but I was not aware that a mouse did it. That seems to be the fact."

THE SPOOPENDYKES AND MR. BEECHER.

"I see that Mr. Beecher has abandoned the ministry and quit religion altogether," observed Mrs. Spoopendyke, holding up the pattern of a polonaise, and wondering if it would come up high enough in the neck. "I suppose the poor man will have to speculate in stocks or write jokes for the Christy Minstrels to make a living now, won't he?" "Who's been lending you a circus poster this trip?" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke, springing up like a trunk lid. "What patent medicine label have you been studying lately? Who says he's quit the ministry? He's only left the Society of Congregational Ministers because he doesn't believe exactly as they." "That's what I said," argued Mrs. Spoopendyke, laying the pattern on the cloth, and beginning to cut it out. "He disagreed with the Congregational, and said he guessed he would go away somewhere and let'em have it to themselves. I don't know what Plymouth Church will do without him, though——" "Do!" ripped Mr. Spoopendyke, "do! it will set a rat-trap and catch him again! What d'ye s'pose it will do? Got some idea it will hire out as a cook, washer and ironer? No objection to going a short distance in the country, haven't ye? P'raps you think it will open as a hotel? Well, it won't, and it won't put on a long shirt and a short apron and go howling around as a two-legged lunatic, either! Don't I tell ye he has only just quit the society of ministers?" "I didn't suppose they'd hurt him," said Mrs. Spoopendyke, scratching her nose with the scissors and figuring out the allowance for the same. "Hurt him?" roared Mr. Spoopendyke," of course they hurt him! They used to lay him down and walk on him, and they'd set astride his stomach and play euchre on his chin, till he swallowed the joker, and they fish for it with umbrellas until they choked him. Don't ye know the difference between a society of ministers and a religion? He's quit the ministers and not the church. Got a tooth you can stow that idea in?" "Well, of course, the man had a right to pick his associates, but I understand you to say that he didn't agree with their religion. If that's the case they ought to alter it, because a man like Mr. Beecher——" "Alter it!" demanded Mr. Spoopendyke. "How are they going to alter it?" Think they can put another flounce around the bottom and a patch on the elbows, like a frock? Imagine they can make it straight up and down, or a bell-crown, by ironing it out like a stovepipe hat? It's the tenet of the church, the basis of the faith, that he dissents from, and as they won't change that he goes out. Does a streak of intelligence begin to dawn on you now? Think you feel an idea wopping around in your back hair?" "I see," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke; "he just abandons religion and ministers, but he sticks to the church. I understand it now." "Oh, you understand it?" howled Mr. Spoopendyke. "You've got your claws in it at last! All you want now is a row among the faculty and a gymnasium to be a theological seminary. He hasn't abandoned religion. He's only announced he don't believe certain parts of the Congregational faith. Think your mind is long and thin enough to penetrate that?" "Certainly," returned Mrs. Spoopendyke, "that's plain enough. He didn't like something they did, so he concluded to leave those ministers to their own devices. But what is he going to do for a faith to keep Plymouth Church going?" "Buy one?" snorted Mr. Spoopendyke. "He's going to get one measured for one and have it sent home, if the tailor don't disappoint him. Perhaps you think he's going to sit out in the back yard and pop over the first faith he sees running along by second-hand faith chap somewhere, have the bottom soldered up, a new spout set in, and palm it off on his congregation for new. I tell you he sticks to the old faith with the exception of the atonement and hell! Ever read about the atonement? Got any kind of notion about hell?" "Of course I have," replied Mrs. Spoopendyke. "I begin to see the drift now. The ministers wanted the atonement—and—the other thing, and he gave it to them, and he is going to substitute Plymouth Church for these things, and let the ministers look after themselves. Now it's clear in me." "Oh, you've got it?" yelled Mr. Spoopendyke. "There's the whole Christian religion in a tea cup. If you only had red cushions and a rack nailed up in front of you, you'd only need an overdue mortgage and a fight in the choir to be a fashionable church! Let it alone, will you? Drop the subject before that wonderful intelligence of yours drowns me out. Another time you want to talk religion I'll get a measly them to listen to you!" And Mr. Spoopendyke plunged his head among the pillows and brooded over his wrongs. "I don't care," murmured Mrs. Spoopendyke, basting the lining into the front of the dress. "Mr. Beecher may not like those poor ministers or their religion, but that's no reason why he should leave them. He ought to show them the sinfulness of their ways, and get them to abandon their hold on the bad place. Anyway, I'm glad he's going to keep up preaching, for the poor man has got a family on his hands, and I think I'll go on Sunday and hear his explanation, if I can get this dress done.—*Brooklyn Eagle.*

FEMALE WRESTLERS ON THE STAGE.

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A MAP MAKER.

"That fellow had a monstrous foot, the biggest I ever saw." "How large?" asked the General, "Give us some idea of its size?" "I don't know that I can, but I tell you what's a fact. His foot was so big that —well, you have heard the old story of the fellow who used the forks of the road for a boot jack?" "Yes." "Well, Nick tried it and split the road so far that the geography of the neighbourhood was changed."—*Arkansas Traveller.*

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Sharksfins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 39.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 13.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 8.50
Straits Produce, &c.,—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.15 to 4.25
Pepper, White, per picul	$21.70 to 22.00
Pepper, Black, per picul	$13.50 to 18.00
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.30 to 5.50
Rattans, Bangar, per picul	$4.35 to 4.65
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$4.30 to 4.85
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$21.50 to 22.55
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.65
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.35
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pel.	$7.50 to 8.05
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pel.	$6.75 to 6.91
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$4.25 to 4.30
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$8.90 to 0.06
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$9.65 to 9.70
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$6.75 to 7.85
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.60 to 7.70
Walnuts, per picul	$5.25 to 5.30
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$2.15 to 2.18
Wheat, Japan, per picul	$2.15 to 2.13
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.3.0 to 6.8.5
Window Glass, per box	$3.65 to 3.7

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Activ	April 3	Revebsok	Dan. str	268	C. M. S. N. Co.	
Æolus	April 1	Aldava	Span. str	323	Dunn, Melbey & Co	
Brutus	April 5	Voege	Ger. str	460	Wieler & Co	
Cassandra	Mar. 26	T. Wagner	Ger. str	1097	Geo. R. Stevens & Co	Hiogo
Catharina II.	April 2	Golfert	Rus. str	810	Soey Shing	
China	April 4	Schoer	Ger. str	648	Yuen Fat Hong	Taiwanfoo
City of Tokio	Mar. 30	J. Maury	Amr. str	3128	P. M. S. S. Co	S. Francisco
Emuy	April 5	Rementeria	Span. str	322	Remedios & Co	
Esmeralda	Mar. 21	G. Wright	Brit. str	395	Russell & Co	
Euxine	Mar. 30	Peters	Brit. str	977	Geo. R. Stevens & Co	Melbourne
Fame	—	Stopani	Brit. str	117	H. & W. Dock Co.	
F'cisco Reyes	Mar. 24	Gardoqui	Span. str	517	Remedios & Co	Manila
Golconde	April 4	Andrae	Fren. str	400)	Adamson, Bell & Co	Shanghai
Hankow	—	J. Ogston	Brit. str	2235	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Honam	—	T. T. Benning	Brit. str	1344	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Japan	Mar. 30	F. F. Flack	Brit. str	1065	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	
Jeddah	April 3	Cholk	Brit. str	993	Ghee Cheong	
Kiu-Kiang	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Kiungchow	—	S. W. Goggin	Brit. str	288	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Lennox	Mar. 29	Scott	Brit. str	1327	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Lido	April 5	Lewis	Brit. str	620	Russell & Co	
Lombardy	April 1	W. E. Breeze	Brit. str	1570	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Bombay
Menelaus	April 4	W. P. Lapage	Brit. str	1518	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai
Minard Castle	April 3	R. Skinner	Brit. str	1596	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Namoa	April 4	G. Westoby	Brit. str	862	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Coast Ports
Posang	Mar. 31	Irvine	Brit. str	983	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Shanghai
Powan	—	J. P. Hoyland	Brit. str	1842	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
R'nattiannhar	April 4	Hunter	Brit. str	793	Yuen Fat Hong	
Rossyln	April 3	McKechnie	Brit. str	2000	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Saltee	April 4	Biard	Fren. str	323	Shing Loong	
Spark	—	—	Brit. str	86	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Laid up
Sumatra	April 1	Fairclough	Brit. str	1408	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Thales	April 5	T. G. Pocock	Brit. str	820	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow
Whampoa	Mar. 29	Williams	Brit. str	1750	Butterfield & Swire	
White Cloud	—	—	Brit. str	652	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Yottung	June 23	H. Kennett	Brit. str	286	Kwok Acheong & Sons	

SAILING VESSELS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Alden Besse	Dec. 22	A. Noyes	Amr. bk	842	Melchers & Co	
C. B. Hazeltine	Feb. 4	W. Gilkey	Amr. bk	880	Russell & Co	New York
Chandernagor	Feb. 6	Mercier	Lbr. bk	682	Carlowitz & Co	
Carnatic	Mar. 27	McPhail	Brit. bk	871	Order	
Coloma	Jan. 5	Noyes	Amr. bk	850	Melchers & Co	
Cyprus	Jan. 11	Johnson	Brit. sh	1392	Captain	
Edderside	Mar. 29	Chas. Lane	Brit. sh	1306	Borneo Co., Limited	
Ellen	April 4	C. Hodge	Brit. bk	499	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Ernst	Mar. 25	Pundh	Ger. bk	664	J. R. Lammert	
Guardian	Feb. 2	Fletcher	Amr. sh	1124	Captain	
Harvard	Mar. 29	Samuel Pray	Amr. bk	1033	Captain	
Hecht	Mar. 24	Ploetz	Ger. sch	358	Siemssen & Co	
Fathen Bourne	Mar. 10	Doane	Amr. bk	1472	Russell & Co	
John Worster	Feb. 11	Houghton	Amr. bk	612	Russell & Co	
Louisa	Jan. 2	Schierlach	Ger. sch	245	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Lucia	Mar. 5	C. Crowly	Brit. bk	639	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Mercury	Mar. 4	Panno	Amr. sh	1156	Chinese	
M. Whitridge	Feb. 2	Geo. Fresman	Amr. sh	862	Russell & Co	New York
N. Thayer	April 1	Crosby	Amr. bk	585	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Papa	Mar. 5	Bannem	Ger. bk	748	Siemssen & Co	
Penobscot	Mar. 29	Eaton	Amr. bk	1133	Order	
Phonix	Mar. 25	Diewitz	Ger. bk	683	Melchers & Co	
P. N. Blanchard	Mar. 6	F. L. Oulres	Amr. sh	1686	Order	
P. Nordenskjold	Feb. 5	E. Jensen	Nor. sch	453	Russell & Co	Victoria, B.C.
Priscilla	Mar. 25	Young	Brit. bk	767	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Ramier	April 2	P. Savary	Fren. bg	280	Carlowitz & Co	
Schwan	Mar. 25	Schroder	Ger. bg	276	Siemssen & Co	
Sir. W. Wallace	Feb. 24	T. R. Brown	Brit. bk	968	Captain	
Sophocles	Feb. 4	Alex. Smith	Brit. sh	1190	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Wagrien	Mar. 21	Dibbern	Ger. sch	179	Wieler & Co	
Wandering Jew	Feb. 26	H. Talpay	Amr. sh	1668	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Weser	Jan. 11	Hellmers	Ger. bk	916	Order	
W. H. Besse	Mar. 7	B. C. Baker	Amr. bk	1027	Order	
Wm. Manson	April 1	H. Kindred	Brit. bk	366	Russell & Co	

MACAO.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Yot-sai	—	Lefavour	Brit. str	115	H., C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton

CANTON.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Amoy	April 4	Herrmann	Brit. str	814	Siemssen & Co	
P'sident Simson	Mar. 28	G. S. Cazlett	Brit. bk	1235	Jardine, Matheson & Co	

SWATOW.

SAILING VESSELS.

IN PORT ON 8TH MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Argos	Jan. 1	—	Brit. bk	298	—	
Annie	Mar. 6	—	Ger bk	424	—	
Frohlich	Mar. 5	—	Ger. bg	360	—	
Omega	Feb. 28	Brown	Brit. bk	482	—	
Rosebud	Feb. 4	—	Brit. sch	340	—	Newchwang
Taiwatt	Jan. 20	—	Siam. bk	654	—	

AMOY.

IN PORT ON 31ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Albatros	Mar. 22	Brunnsa	Ger. sch	216	Pasedag & Co	
Anna	Mar. 27	Meinschein	Ger. bk	493	Pasedag & Co	
Assens	Mar. 15	Vandel	Dan. bk	255	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Bride	Mar. 25	Sutherland	Brit. bk	300	Captain	
Charley	Mar. 23	Danielsen	Brit. bk	359	Pasedag & Co	
Gitanilla	Mar. 12	Taylor	Brit. bk	508	Brown & Co	
Hilda Maria	Mar. 21	Teunis	Ger. bk	275	Pasedag & Co	
Pallas	Mar. 27	Luders	Ger. bk	347	Pasedag & Co	
Velox	Mar. 15	J. Wilkens	Dut. bk	240	H. A. Petersen & Co	

SHANGHAI.

IN PORT ON 31ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Anna Sieben	Mar. 7	Paulsen	Ger. bk	603	Gipperich & Burchardi	
Anglo-Indian	Jan. 31	Graham	Brit. bk	444	Drysdale, Ringer & Co	
Brenda	Mar. 26	Swenson	Brit. bg	290	Mackenzie & Co	
Chinctah	Aug. 10	Taylor	Chi. bk	472	C. M. S. N. Co	
G. H. Wappaus	Mar. 9	Boysen	Ger. bk	538	Meyerink & Co	
H. Upmann	Mar. 11	Weber	Ger. bk	426	Eduard Schellhass & Co	
James S. Stone	Mar. 14	—	Amr. bk	—	Order	
Kolga	Feb. 11	Ketel	Brit. bk	359	Nils Moller	
Kolga	Oct. 25	Lome Bang	Ger. bk	540	Russell & Co	
K'masaka Maru	Mar. 20	Elles	Jap. bk	416	M. B. Kaeshle	
M. Wenkleman	Mar. 24	Ulberg	Am. sch	505	J. W. Muller & Co	
Pearl	Mar. 7	Howes	Amr. bk	536	Chapman, King & Co	
Rosa Madre	Feb. 22	Ottone	Ital. bk	911	Max. Slevogt	
Stout	Mar. 26	Hennester	Nor. bk	581	Siemssen & Co	
Tyburnia	Feb. 8	Chalmers	Brit. bk	948	W. Hewett & Co	
W. Siegfried	Mar. 5	Hanson	Brit. bk	393	Nils Moller	

NAGASAKI.

IN PORT ON 24TH MARCH, 1883.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Aljishima Maru	Mar. 21	Crighton	Jap. sch	660	M. B. M. Co	
Batavia	Mar. 22	Roper	Brit. bk	360	Holme, Ringer & Co	
Channel Queen	Mar. 16	Lachenr	Brit. bk	609	Order	Chefoo
Emma	Mar. 18	Mickelsen	Ger. sch	220	Order	Amoy
Kozaki Maru	—	Christensen	Jap. sh	400	M. B. M. Co	
Queen of India	Mar. 17	Isokey	Brit. bk	889	M. B. M. Co	Shanghai
S'noura Maru	Feb. 25	Spiegelthal	Jap. bk	925	M. B. M. Co	Repairing

YOKOHAMA.

IN PORT ON 22ND MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
A. Cashman	Dec. 7	Sternberg	Rus. sch	50	F. Retz	
Alexander	—	Carlson	Am. sch	50	H. Cook	
Alma	Nov. 18	Tibbey	Am. sch	52	J. D. Carroll & Co	
Anna Bertha	Mar. 17	H. Krause	Ger. bk	368	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Black Diamond	Oct. 2	Boyd	Ger. bk	670	P. Bohm	
Chocorna	Mar. 12	E. A. Locke	Amr. sh	1663	C. Illies & Co	
Diana	Oct. 31	Peterson	Am. sch	64	Captain	
Eliza	—	Abbott	Am. sch	113	D. Carroll & Co	
E. v. Beaulieu	Nov. 20	Oetting	Ger. bk	336	Grosser & Co	
F'ces & Amanda	Mar. 7	Borgward	Ger. bk	370	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Helena	Nov. 1	Bischof	Am. sch	40	M. Ginsbuy	
Lizzie	Feb. 5	Abbott	Am. sch	60	D. Carroll & Co	
M. C. Bohm	—	—	Ger. sch	56	P. Bohm	
Otome	Oct. 31	Hardy	Am. sch	30	Owston, Snow & Co	
Otsego	Oct. 13	E. Pierce	Am. sch	35	Captain	
Otter	—	Littlejohn	Am. sch	53	J. E. Collyer & Co	
Rose	Dec. 7	Wilson	Am. sch	40	W. Copeland	
Sophie	Oct. 29	L'ascheffsky	Rus. bg	330	North Pacific Co	
Stella	—	Isaacs	Rus. sch	41	F. Retz	
Tsernogora	Mar. 18	Cann	Brit. sh	1252	Cornes & Co	
Two Brothers	—	Hayden	Amr. sh	1382	Alexander Center	
Vigilant	Feb. 22	Gould	Amr. sh	1800	Frazar & Co	
Zephyr	Oct. 16	Ewart	Brit. sch	250	P. Hodnett	

MANILA.

IN PORT ON 21ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Arab	Feb. 19		Ger. bk	541	Martin, Dyce & Co	London
Atma	Feb. 3		Nor. bk	525	T. Herrmann & Co	N.Y. or B'ton
B. F. Watson	Feb. 9		Amr. bk	993	Baer, Senior & Co	New York
Daniel	Mar. 11		Ger. bk	416	Smith, Bell & Co	Tientsin
Derbyshire	Mar. 16		Brit. sh	1163	Peele, Hubbell & Co	S. Francisco
Josepfina	Feb. 5		Span. bk	626	Martin, Dyce & Co	Iloilo
Nervion	Mar. 18		Span. bk	594	Smith, Bell & Co	
Raphael	Feb. 12		Amr. sh	1543	Peele, Hubbell & Co	Boston
Varuna	Feb. 8		Ger. bk	487	C. Heinszen & Co	Liverpool

ILOILO.

IN PORT ON 21ST MARCH, 1883.

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
Annie M. Law	Dec. 27		Brit. sh	1178	Austen & Co	Montreal
Granville Belle	Mar. 1		Brit. bk	1130	Ker & Co	Boston
Minnie Allen	Mar. 1		Amr. bk	662	Smith, Bell & Co	N.Y. or B'ton
Panay	Mar. 15		Amr. sh	1190	Ker & Co	Manila
Solveig	Jan. 14		Nor. bg	296	Austen & Co	New York

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

NAME.	RIG.	GUNS	H.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE AT
Albatross	screw sloop	4	840	Com. Errington	Cruising
Audacious	double-screw iron frigate	14	4830	Captain R. E. Tracey	Hongkong
Champion	corvette	14	2340	Capt. R. G. S. Pasley	Singapore
Cleopatra	corvette	14	2610	Capt. H. N. Hippisley	Hongkong
Curacoa	corvette	14	2540	Captain S. Long	Hongkong
Darfug	composite sloop	4	920	Com. F. J. J. Elliott	Yokohama
Esk	double-screw gunboat	3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
Flying Fish	sloop	4	840	Lieut.-Com. Hoskyn	Hongkong
Fly	double-screw gun-vessel	4	490	Com. John Hope	Singapore
Foxhound	gunboat	4	470	Lieut.-Com. McQuhae	Sandakan
Kestrel	double-screw gun-vessel	4	830	Commander E. Hotham	Shanghai
Lily	screw gun-vessel	3	830	Commander Evans	Singapore
Linnet	gunboat	5	050	Capt. C. R. Harris	Hongkong
Magpie	surveying vessel	3	600	Lieut-Com. A. Carpenter	Hongkong
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	4	470	In reserve	Hongkong
Moorhen	gunboat	4	390	Lieut.-Com. J. H. Corfe	Kobe
Pegasus	sloop	6	970	Com. E. F. Day	Cruising
Sheldrake	gunboat	4	370	Lieut. Com. M. Bridger	Yokohama
Swift	double-screw gun-vessel	5	1010	Commander Collins	Cruising
Thalia	troopship	—	—	Capt. J. W. Brackenbury	Hongkong
Tweed	double-screw gunboat	3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
V. Emanuel	receiving ship	20	—	Commodore Cuming	Hongkong
Vigilant	paddle despatch-vessel	2	1230	Lieut.-Com. C. Lindsay	Hongkong
Wivern	turret-ship	4	1450	In reserve	Hongkong
Zephyr	gunboat	4	530	Lt.-Com. G. N. A. Pollard	Shanghai

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

NAME.	FLAG.	GUNS.	H.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE AT.
Abreck	Russian gunboat	7	300	Captain Schanz	Chefoo
Adonis	French gunboat	5	250	Commander Caillard	Saigon
Alert	American corvette	4	150	Commander L. Kempff	Kobe
Africa	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Alexieff	Singapore
Aragon	Spanish frigate	—	—	Captain J. R. Hiquero	Hongkong
D. of Edinburgh	Russian ironclad	18	900	Captain Giers	Amoy
Elizabeth	German corvette	15	400	Hollmann	Yokohama
Ermak	Russian transport	—	80	Captain Koltchan	Nagasaki
Gornostai	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Stark	Vladivostock
Iltis	German gunboat	8	100	Commander Klausa	Cruising
Kersaint	French corvette	—	375	Commander Beaumont	Canton
La Victorieuse	French frigate	14	750	Captain D. de la Batie	Hongkong
Leipzig	German corvette	16	—	Captain Herbig	Hongkong
Lutin	French gunboat	4	100	Captain Rouvier	Hongkong
Monocacy	American gunboat	6	700	Commander C. S. Cotton	Swatow
Morge	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Tatarinoff	Japan
Nerpa	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Valrondt	Chefoo
Palos	American gunboat	6	200	Lieut.-Commander Green	Kobe
Plastoun	Russian corvette	8	—	Captain Poliansky	Saigon
Richmond	American frigate	14	800	Captain Skerrett	Hongkong
Sobol	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Boyle	Vladivostock
St. Petersburg	Russian transport	6	—	Captain Sidenener	Vladivostock
Stosch	German corvette	19	700	Captain von Buchholtz	Hongkong
Tamega	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	Capt. da Costa Cabral	Macao
Tongous	Russian gunboat	—	—	Commander Heck	Singapore
Velasco	Spanish cruiser	—	—	Capt. T. M. Warleta	Hongkong
Vestnik	Russian cruiser	—	—	Captain Avelan	Singapore
Villars	French cruiser	15	600	Captain Dewatre	Hongkong
Vostock	Russian gunboat	4	—	Commander Molchonsky	Japan
Wolf	German gunboat	4	340	Commander von Raven	Chefoo

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

NAME.	FLAG AND RIG.	GUNS	TONS	H.P.	COMMANDER.	STATION.
An-lan	Viceroy's gunboat	7	250	75	—	Hongkong
Chee-hing	Revenue cruiser	2	30	20	—	—
Chien-jui	Revenue cruiser	3	80	17	—	Hongkong
Chien-to	Viceroy's gunboat	7	250	75	J. Stewart	Hongkong
Ching-tsing	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	60	F. Bessard	Hongkong
Chop-sai	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hai-choug-ching	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hai-king-ching	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
Hoi-tung-hung	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	Leung Yiu Ting	Canton
Pang-chiu-hai	Revenue cruiser	4	562	125	Chow Shol	Hongkong
Quang-on	Viceroy's gunboat	4	120	40	Lie-ping-tie	Canton
San Hang	Viceroy's gunboat	—	—	—	Yang Yung Lin	Hongkong
Tching-on	Viceroy's gunboat	2	120	40	Chinese Admiral	Bogue Forts
Tching-po	Viceroy's gunboat	3	100	40	Ching	Bogue Forts

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